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FOREWORD

IF in this book we speak of events that are in the process of becoming, it should not be concluded that this is the "usual prophesying," which has its origins in some sort of occult power. Such a notion could, quite rightly, never be opposed with sufficient scepticism. In this book we are writing history in advance, and for this purpose we take into account cosmic laws which only the most ignorant can possibly hold in doubt.

But I have not written that the ignorant might learn. I have written for the many to whom present-day Europe is a picture shrouded in impenetrable darkness. I have written it to show them what the way out of this labyrinth is, to show where the growing chaos finally ends, and to discover its organic development. These are the reasons for which I have written. In this book we strive to find order in an epoch that seems somehow to have gone out of tune.

Later on, some clever people might be able to prove that this or that predicted in my book was not fulfilled. Astrology which is the basis of my predictions can claim to be regarded as a science in no less a manner than the so-called "exact" sciences. In these, as in astrology, errors are present which do not lie in the system but in human fallibility. The astrologer, for example, striving after precision and perfectly aware of the degree of precision possible in astrology, is often brought to despair by such things as vague and imprecise birth-hours. However, this

author is gratified to see from the numerous letters he has received from readers of his *Hitler's Last Year of Power* that they have not missed the fact that he practises a different kind of astrology to that which—not always unjustifiably—falls into disrepute.

In the face of all criticism of that book, the only verdict possible is that nobody in this world can be in a position to doubt the complete realisation of those prophesies that have already been fulfilled. This author is not striving after the recognition of his name, nor for the recognition of astrology nor any other kind of recognition; but those who spontaneously desire in these restless and fateful times to be convinced of the hidden workings of the Universal Law, should compare the predictions in *Hitler's Last Year of Power* with the events that have taken place from August 1939 onwards. They will then discover the measure of worth attaching to the present book.

Of the many prophesies in *Hitler's Last Year of Power* already fulfilled, I cite the following examples, which speak for themselves :

1. Exact date of the Polish Crisis.
2. The Polish Invasion.
3. A fateful September.
4. That Mussolini would disappoint Hitler.
5. That Churchill and Eden would join the Cabinet.
6. That Mr. Chamberlain would fight.
7. Bombing of open towns ("orders would be issued that made a mockery of justice.")
8. Hess' danger in November (bomb explosion in Munich).
9. That Göring would be Hitler's successor.
10. The unreality of the Russian Pact, etc., etc.

(For further predictions fulfilled see supplement to "Hitler's Last Year of Power", also second edition of that book.)

Many readers will ask themselves how it could have been possible to arrive at such exact prognostications upon the basis of cosmic influences, but this is not the place for explaining to the uninformed how the author, after years of painful research, reformed the groundwork of astrology and adjusted it to the thought-forms of this century. Nevertheless, those of my readers who possess an advanced knowledge of astrology will perhaps grasp what this means. Text books by this author will later make it clear how far apart lie the ways of authenticated and unauthenticated astrology.

However, if the possibilities in real, practical astrology seem boundless, above all in fathoming the soul of man, we ask ourselves how it is that history written in advance has no greater exactitude than history written about an epoch that has past. Every knowledgeable man knows that the historian or biographer, though undertaking his work with sound material, only rarely does full justice to his subject. The reason is that through the intrusion of his personality, he soon begins to distort unconsciously, soon perhaps even consciously falsifies. These limitations of historical writing do not occur with real astrologers, but we need not go into great detail about this here. For my part, I want to reveal the cosmic order that is present in the picture of a disordered Europe, since the cosmic order implicit in that picture is not visible to politicians or contemporaries because events are so much on top of us.

Apart from the predictions of a Nostrodamus or popular prediction, neither of which has anything to do with scientific astrology—it is perhaps for the first time that world history in such great detail has been written in advance.

I am convinced that man's present understanding

of Time will disappear in due course, and that in future neither historian nor real biographer will be able to dispense with the astrological aspect if they wish to gain a fairer and clearer view of things.

In conclusion, I trust that no one will want to pass judgment on this book to-day. With this book as with *Hiller's Last Year of Power*, let Time, the most powerful critic, be the final judge. Time alone can show whether my predictions prove correct or not.

I

HOW, WHEN AND WHY NAZI GERMANY LOSES THE WAR

*Germany's Way of Liberation · War ends Spring, 1940 ·
Nation against Party*

WHY will Nazi Germany lose this war ? Nazi Germany will lose this war because those responsible for starting it and those charged with the conduct of it are not the representatives of the real Germany. Hitler's seizure of power might have been sanctioned by the collective desire of the German people but this war has not. But it would be wrong to say that Hitler alone consciously desired war. Unconsciously the German people also wanted it for they have long been aware that Hitler's power could only be broken through war. And they awaited the friendship and help of the whole world to this end. Thus it was that foreign newspapers were secretly passed from hand to hand ; thus it was that foreign newspapers were banned ; thus Germans locked themselves in to listen to foreign broadcasts, thus listeners to foreign stations were shadowed, and thus also it was that Mr. Chamberlain and M. Daladier were fêted on the occasion of their visit to Munich. The population realised that they came as their friends and saw in them their saviours.

Millions of Germans were not disappointed when England and France declared war on Germany for they saw in this war, with all its testing-times and tribulations, their liberation from the rule of force.

Nazi Germany will lose this war because the real Germany secretly sides with the Allies.

Military and economic experts may smile at such a point of view and they will say that Germany is going to lose because she is powerless in the face of the blockade and because she lacks raw materials. The astrologer, however, seeks the real psychological causes. This is not the place to deal at length with the workings of cosmic laws, but those of us who are not going through life with our eyes closed, find abundant proof in our own lives that a man's fate is the result of his hidden nature. Likewise, the destiny of a nation is the result of the total character of its people. We can compare the fate of an individual or a nation to the gradual developing of a photographic plate. Before it is developed, we have no idea how it will come out. Thus also the development of events show us the hitherto secret potentialities of a nation or an individual, unknown to us before such events occurred. It will suffice to throw a ray of light on all we have said by an analysis of the kind that follows.

If Germany is depending on a *blitzkrieg*, a lightning war, to win, it is the result of a phase in the development of her people. The nation does not want a war, but it awaited a storm to clear away the intolerably heavy skies it is living under. The shortages of raw material and the failures in foreign policy, now more uncertain than ever, indicate the presence of collective wish-dreams in the minds of the German people who are striving to discover the way of throwing their government overboard. If Hitler and Germany were one and the same, the chances of an Allied victory would not be so rosy. Thus the fact is that the "collective unconscious" of the German nation is fighting on the side of the Allies against Nazism.

For this reason and for this reason alone, Hitler and his clique, the unlawful possessors of Germany will lose this war.

When will Nazi Germany lose the war? It will be none of Hitler's doing if this becomes a lightning war; but a three-year war, the duration anticipated by the Allies, will not turn out to be the fate of the nations engaged in it. Nazi Germany will lose this war when the unconscious desires of the people make themselves consciously felt: in other words, when the breach between the nation and its alien government becomes an accomplished fact and when Hitler's foreign policy has brought encirclement, and his policy at home has brought isolation.

There must be many disappointments before a human being is finally freed of illusion, and it is exactly the same with the awakening of a nation. It means grief, tears, hunger, revolt and revolution, but a real, not an artificially fabricated revolution always constitutes a return to fundamentals, after alien elements have been disposed of.

Comparisons with the World War of 1914-1918 are absurd. The Kaiser may not have been the best representative of his people but he was an infinitely better representative of them than his former corporal, Hitler, who has only repeated the errors of his one-time Commander-in-Chief, and certainly did not rise to power from a cultivated German milieu. A psychological comparison would further show that oceans divide the Germany of 1914 from the Germany of 1939, even if we have to admit that, superficially at least, there are similarities. Between 1914 and 1939 there was a 1918 when a German Republic was built up whose shining lights were Brüning and Stresemann. The masses might only have

felt a breath of their ideals, but it was sufficient for them to suppress the Hitlers of 1914 and to outlaw the imperialist policy of the Kaiser. In the same manner, this war will sweep away the reaction of 1933. The first signs of impending storm began to show when Hitler stretched out his hand towards Poland. The trap shut. Hitler is now the prisoner of his own people and of the whole world. In the Spring of 1940, the final sentence on Adolf Hitler will be passed and on those who were foolish enough to become his followers. But among those who will struggle for a new Germany will be many of his own "old guard" whom he betrayed because of his ambitions. The sentence that they will pronounce on their leader will be the fairest and also the most severe of all.

How will Nazi Germany lose this war? The triumph of the Allies will be manifold. It will be a triumph of justice over brute force, a triumph of political sagacity over the dilentantism of the Hitler government, a triumph of evolution over revolution, the triumph of the eternal human laws over the selfishness of a few fanatics and, last but not least, the triumph of democracy over the tyranny of crazy adventurers. Nazi Germany will lose to another Germany in which the fictions of Dr. Goebbels and the poets crowned by him will not represent the cultural and spiritual standards of the nation. Nazi Germany will lose to that Germany of Goethe in which the names of Einstein, Freud and Thomas Mann will once again be held in honour and respect.

1933 saw the revolution of a Party against a Nation. 1940 will see the revolution of a Nation against a Party, and the end of the Party sees the end of Nazi Germany. Only a few of the Party

leaders will be able to gain safety in time. Some will be assassinated, others will prefer to commit suicide and thus avoid their just due, still others will have to appear before a tribunal of the people and make their defence.

In the horoscope of the Nazi Party, there is a catastrophically aspected Mars in detriment and standing in the house of Death. This Mars rules the house of public so that we can imagine what is to come. In the horoscope of the Third Reich Saturn is the ruler of the house of Death. This Saturn dominates the Sun which rules over the end of the Third Reich, since it is in the fourth house, firstly through a conjunction and secondly because the Sun itself stands in a Saturn sign. Saturn is also the ruler of foreign countries, so that foreign countries will play an important part in the end of Nazi Germany.

Saturn, ruler of Death at the Zenith! The Third Reich was condemned to death from the very beginning. Nazi Germany has been an expensive experiment on the part of a perplexed and politically inexperienced people. Generations will pass before the economic and moral losses of this seven-year period will have been made up for, but it will be useless for the Germans to cry over spilt milk. If however, they can learn by their mistakes and prevent such further lapses, the terrible lesson of Hitlerism will not have been in vain—a terrible lesson, but at the same time a way to spiritual rebirth.

THE KAISER WENT BUT THE GENERALS REMAINED

*Hindenburg's Leadership . . . Hiller the General's Lackey
His Broken Promises . Death of Fritsch . Why the Generals
bide their Time . Revolt in Germany . May a Fateful
Month . Secret Peace Negotiations . Tragic Events in June
Greater Germany Shrinks . Peace and Foreign Aid*

SHORTLY after the Great War, a German politician wrote a book entitled *The Kaiser Went But The Generals Remained*. His contemporaries ignored it but it is of enough significance to-day for it contained both a truth and a forecast.

From 1918 to 1933, Germany was divided into two parts: a Party State which believed it held the power and a Militarist State which really held the power. In the same way as the human mind can be divided into two spheres: the "conscious" and the "unconscious", the organisation of a state can be expressed in similar terms. The Party State was the "conscious" Germany, while the Militarist State was the "unconscious" Germany.

Psycho-analysis teaches us that the influence of the "unconscious" mind over the "conscious" is extremely powerful and that the "unconscious" soon seizes control over a "conscious" that has grown weak. There is every proof of this and we believe to have discovered here the explanation for the "revolution" in Germany of 1933. It was the

everlasting struggle of past events to force themselves from the unconscious into the light of the conscious. Fritz Ebert, the one-time saddler, was the first *Reichspräsident* of the German Republic and a symbol of Germany's superficial actions. Hindenburg, the one-time Field Marshal of the Great War that had been lost, the Kaiser's highest General, was the second *Reichspräsident* of the German Republic and, at the same time, a symbol of what was welling up in the "unconscious" mind of this Republic. Ebert was the Republic's official leader but Hindenburg, even during Ebert's time, was the uncrowned king of Germany.

When Hindenburg took over the leadership of Germany, he did not imagine that it would be he who would have to lead the Republic over to an authoritarian system of government—what after 1933 was called his "betrayal" of the Republic. But it is groping in the dark to describe this "betrayal" of Hindenburg's as one of his conscious aims. He, the Capricorn-born, possessed too great a sense of responsibility and too loyal a nature for us to accuse him of intentional disloyalty or of betrayal. Even his bitterest enemies would have to admit that Hindenburg, Hitler's one-time opponent, was mastered by the circumstances of the time. He had no knowledge or presentiment of what was in store for him during his period of government when he gave up his private life in Hanover to move into the Wilhelmstrasse in Berlin. Nor could he be called keen enough a psychologist to have foreseen developments. The fact is that the "unconscious" Germany played itself right into the foreground with the coming of Hindenburg. Thus, unnoticed even by him, its reaction had to make itself openly felt one day. What had been below the surface came to the top,

and what had been on the surface was driven below. This happened for the first time when Hitler, in the August of 1932, stood before Hindenburg and asked to take over complete authority. Hindenburg must have been not a little shocked. Adolf Hitler, *bildungsoffizier* of the *Reichswehr* and delegated by them shortly after the War to form an *arbeiterpartei*, now stands before the old *Reichspräsident* as though to say : "Here I am. I have done it—naturally for you, but of course I would like to have my share. I demand complete authority ; I want to be the leader of the New Germany."

The *Reichspräsident* hesitated. This was not what was expected. The soldier in him was stirred. He had given the Republic his word and for more than five months he had been having a battle with himself. Historians would probably say that he now saw his resistance had been pointless, but actually Hindenborg was taken unawares by his opponents and by bad counsellors when rumours—probably sown by the Nazis themselves—reached his ears that General Schleicher intended to arrest him, arrest Papen, Hitler and other politicians. Thus the giant, so to speak, bowed before destiny, meaning, as he certainly thought, to save Germany from a catastrophe.

No matter how these historic events might be recorded, we say that Hindenburg's resistance broke down before the wave which for years had been rising up with him and before which he now had to bend, accepting it either willingly or unwillingly. To his credit we can say that he accepted with the air of a man facing the unconquerable forces of nature. It was, in fact, the pressure of the nation's psychic forces that had betrayed Hindenburg, and it was not he who betrayed the nation, for he was a man who certainly exemplified his principle of unswerving

devotion to duty. Nevertheless, that the people should take a stand against the November 1918 Revolution was—at least unconsciously—his secret wish-fulfilment dream also.

The Kaiser was in Doorn, but the generals and their lackey Adolf Hitler triumphed. German militarism, after a short sleep, had awakened to a new splendour. Ebert was dead and his spirit which represented the spirit of another Germany had also died.

In my *Hitler's Last Year of Power* I have dealt in detail from the astro-psychological viewpoint with the development of Germany from the time of the Kaiser's Reich to the Republic, and from the Republic to the Third Reich. In this book, I can but touch briefly on this subject but those interested in the line of Germany's development can read it in *Hitler's Last Year of Power*. There I disclosed the secret of this Third Reich, referring to the astrological and psychological elements which constitute its psychic make-up. Here I am really continuing from where I left off in that former book and I begin by asking a question. It is this : has Hitler disappointed the German generals, or has this new outbreak of war been a long settled aim of the German General Staff ? And here we come to the last act in the tragedy of the Third Reich, including most recent events, the breaking of serious promises and the attendant consequences.

"Hitler promises . . ." Thus begins every chapter in the story of this man's life. "Hitler broke his promise . . ." Thus every chapter in it ends.

"Hitler promises . . ." He has promised everybody something. He promised the German generals more than it was ever his intention of fulfilling.

He promised them more than his discordant, his ambitious and therefore dangerous nature could possibly allow him to fulfil. He promised the generals that he would only be their drummer boy, their lackey. He did not want the Marshal's baton. Once he had united all Germans to a single national purpose (thus he promised and was believed), his duty would be carried out and his mission concluded. Then he would hand over the leadership of the unified Germany to another man. And so the German General Staff once had their hour of weakness just as Hindenburg later had his. They thought Hitler was a man of honour and trusted him.

Nevertheless, there was one of these generals who saw through him. It was Schleicher, but Schleicher paid the price for his shrewdness and the price for his warnings when he lost his life on June 30, 1934 in the Roehm Purge. There was yet another of these generals : von Fritsch. He believed in Germany and in the German people and, because of this, for years maintained his loyalty to Hitler, whom he thought to be the chosen representative of the nation. He also paid for his beliefs, his loyalty and his word of honour, but the enquiry into his death has by no means been closed.

A greater disparity than that which existed between von Fritsch and Hitler is hardly imaginable. Fritsch represented the aristocracy and was a classic example of the spirit and integrity of the German soldier. He was reliability itself. Hitler on the other hand was the representative of the underdog, spiritually, intellectually and from the financial point of view. Here was a classic example of the half-educated man, the personification of the inferiority complex.

Fritsch was the Army's favourite and the hope of a despairing nation ; Hitler the favourite of a Party

clique consisting of the stranded, the hope of the bankrupt. Fritsch had the power ; Hitler abused the power which had brought him into favour with the powerful. Fritsch was a symbol for German Protestantism ; Hitler a symbol for anti-Christ. Fritsch opposed Hitler and his clique and the unloosing of the *kultatkämpfe*.

But it may well be asked what in the world Fritsch was waiting for. It may well be asked why he did not seize the power which in practice he possessed. A thousand eyes were cast in his direction, a thousand hearts were his. One word, a single action and he would have become the hero of the nation. Why then was he silent ? Why did he not act ? He was bound by his word, the word of honour of a German officer, the word he had given to a man who had never kept his word. Here we have a vividly clear example of the conflicting dualism of the German people. On the one hand the Fritsches whose pledged word and whose ideals mean everything and, on the other hand, the Hitlers who know neither word of honour nor ideals. And this is the tragedy of the German people and the personal tragedy of General von Fritsch. The Hitlers may triumph for a while. The strong have been fearful of using their strength ; those without power managed to seize the power to plunge everybody to ruin, both friend and enemy.

In von Fritsch, I saw one of the men who would stand at the cradle of the new Germany ; but Fritsch is no more. This, however, has not influenced my binding belief in his name and in his horoscope, for history shows that it is not only a living man who can become the focal point of a movement. Many national heroes have given their countries more in death than in life. The death of Fritsch

is a signal to the German people. Louder voices may be there to drown it perforce, but if it has found a way to their hearts, then it will be the signal for their liberation.

Unfortunately I am not in possession of a horoscope of this fine soldier giving his exact birth minute and so I cannot lift the veil of secrecy surrounding his death. One day, however, I shall be able to do so no matter how silent the guilty remain, for the horoscope is a witness that cannot be condemned to silence.

On October 9, 1939, a few weeks after the death of Fritsch, an English officer who had formerly lived among the German officers, speaking from an English radio station, appealed to the conscience of the German Officer Corps since—as it seemed—they were allowing the death of their favourite to go unavenged. Speaking in German during war-time, he also delivered a memorial oration to Fritsch, the finest soldier among his enemies, so as to make good the conduct of the German Officer Corps, who had failed to mark the death of von Fritsch in any special way. I know, of course, that there was a funeral in Berlin with great pomp and show, but the only purpose of this was to cover up the sinister truth, and it failed to move the hearts of the German people.

But the thousands listening to the voice of that English officer coming through the air must have had to struggle to control their emotions. At the conclusion of this memorial oration, rang out the old soldier's song : "*Ich hat' einen Kameraden*" (I had a comrade). The eyes of listening Germans must have been moist for they were hearing from England the voice of a fatherland they had lost. And thousands must in that solemn hour have realised what it is that makes life worthwhile and how many of the real things in it

have vanished for them. That English officer will certainly have a place of honour in the hearts of those millions in Germany who are daring to hope again.

In Fritsch's horoscope on the day of his death, the transiting Saturn stood at its radical position and the transiting Sun passed over an opposition of the progressive Jupiter. These were remarkable symbols of what happened.

Hindenburg, Schleicher, Fritsch : three milestones of post-war Germany and, despite a Left Revolution and Republicanism, they remain the real Germany, as it has been from the very start. All three are dead, and it may well be asked what to-morrow will bring. Is it that the German military tradition is moving towards an abyss ? Or will it fight its way back to the position from which it has long ruled over and invisibly guided the destinies of Germany ?

Since 1933, the policy of the German General Staff has decreed it as senseless to step into the breach and forcibly seize power. "So long as Hitler's successes are our successes," they have been saying, "we will overlook much that Time will smooth out and heal. Our machine is strong and has been tested out in many kinds of weather, while Hitler's is new and not a thing of gradual growth. It will use itself up, take too sharp a turning, and of its own accord slide downhill. And thus we will win the race in the end."

But this policy while it had its strengths, also had its weaknesses, for it overlooked the consideration that with Hitler's inevitable downfall, brought about by his disastrous foreign policy, the achievements gained for Germany through him would be jeopardised, unless they stepped in at the right moment and reminded him of his promise to be only the drummer boy at Germany's rebirth.

As I write, this forms as it were the spring board of European political happenings. The ex-drummer boy, the lackey, now has the Marshal's baton in his hand and intends to win for himself the governorship of Europe. However, this aim has already misfired because of his "friend" Stalin, and the Marshal's baton with which he still commands Germany will be wrenched from his hands.

Britain and France have declared war against Hitlerism, not against the German people, but the inevitable bloodshed serves to tear down the halo from Hitler's head, so that he should not go down to history as a martyr but as one of the greatest corruptors of humanity. Will the German people grasp the hand outstretched to them from abroad in time, free themselves from Hitlerism and make peace with the Western Democracies? This is the great question to-day stirring the whole world. During the first weeks of war, Hitler's enemies have struck on a policy whose aims can be clearly seen:

no domination of Germany.

no annihilation of the German people.

peaceable solution of all European problems.

return to a peace that is not constantly threatened.

return to European equilibrium.

to fight Hitlerism only, which means to fight aggression which jeopardises the welfare of all.

During the coming months, the German people in order to satisfy world opinion have to provide the answer to two questions:

1. Do they identify themselves with the violent methods of their Leader?

2. Are the German Generals by reason of Hitler's brutal methods, as much his victims as Austria, Czechoslovakia or Poland?

What light can astrology throw on all this when the future is shrouded in darkness, when nobody knows the outcome of this new struggle of the nations? It is also an acute problem to know with what material we can seek to reach the fundamentals of these questions. Is there a horoscope of the German people? Is there a horoscope of the German General Staff? In my *Hitler's Last Year of Power*, I explain why I used the horoscope of the German Reich's foundation by Bismarck in the Hall of Mirrors, Versailles, January 18th, 1871, to find the answer. The unity of the German nation and the influence of German militarism are the main points in this horoscope, which has proved stronger than the horoscope of the revolutions of 1918 and of 1933.

What do the signs in this horoscope tell us? What is Germany and what is she going to be? When we talk of German militarism we mean the "Mars" in the German horoscope. This does not represent the will of a single person, nor the will of a few among the officers who want to take command at any price. This "Mars" is a recapitulation of the instinctive will of the entire nation. In peace time, this "Mars" instinct is curtained behind idealistic maxims which aim at spiritual development (Jupiter rising in Gemini). The "Mars" is there, but it is leading an underground existence, awaiting the slogan to rouse it and cause the idealistic maxims to be thrown overboard. But this all belongs to the processes of the German people's development.

In August 1914, the Kaiser found a slogan: "I no longer know Parties. I know only Germans." In other words: "I no longer know special loyalties, I know only "Mars faithfuls," followers of warlike instincts." So long as this "Mars intoxication," this reawakened warrior-spirit holds out, so long as it

flatters the beast-of-prey instincts—as in times of success—the German nation is collectively capable of superhuman achievements. When the curve falls, however, and there are no more laurel wreaths to be earned, this collectivity falls apart and, in the ensuing collisions between individuals, the only possible way out is sought, namely revolution. Hitler, not inexpert in the methods of mass-suggestion, found the slogans for his revolution and once again forged a collectivity in the German people.

Hitler may in a certain sense be the prototype of Prussian militarism, but we wish to draw attention to a misconception here that is having fateful results. Hitler's militarism is the militarism of 1914, for the reason that he is ignorant of the cycle of development through which Prussian militarism passed during the Great War. The half-educated Hitler has, as in everything else, only half-understood the essence of this militarism, and thus there is a disunity between him and the chiefs of the Army. This disunity, once it breaks out, will extend to an open conflict.

The responsible leaders of the Reichswehr such as Hindenburg, Blomberg and Fritsch knew this, and Brauchitsch and Keitel also know it. Two things have prevented these soldiers from forcing this disunity into the open: their pledged word to the Führer and the fear of a disaster at home such as occurred in Spain. So they go on enduring it and await the day on which it becomes quite clear that the whole nation stands opposed to its self-appointed and self-convicted leaders. Then they will no longer withhold their assistance from the people.

But before the nation can stand up against its tyrannical leaders, it must first go through a development of this Mars instinct: that is to say, its military characteristics. These warrior characteristics

must be refined or must be overcome, and it was this process of development that Hitler delayed by becoming the nation's representative. However, the new war will see the fulfilment of this task ; the people will learn to know themselves and their leaders, and it will be a terrible awakening.

Germany has a military foundation (Mars instinct), and a superstructure of idealism (Jupiter rising in Gemini). Germany must undergo disturbances to reach unity between these extremes, and 1940 will bring about this synthesis.

Coming aspects in the German horoscope speak of a variety of experiences through which Germany must pass, but it is only possible for us to quote here the most important among these. In 1940-1941, the progressive mid-Heaven reaches a square to Uranus in Aries : downfall of the Government through a revolt of the people ; violent unrest ; revolutionary movements and assassinations. The character of the people undergoes a complete change (Uranus in Cancer), while disaster leads to new convictions (Uranus in the third house). In May 1940, the progressive Venus is in trine to the radical Saturn : Germany is filled with a longing for peace ; signs of recovery in a sick nation ; the people are growing ripe for a leader whose responsible conduct saves them from incredible catastrophe, a man upon whom the Germans themselves and the rest of the world can rely, a man who possesses the spiritual and moral force to reconcile Germany to the rest of the world. In May 1940 also, the prenatal Moon reaches a trine to Venus : a breath of relief among the people who know that peace is no longer far off and look to the future with composure. Peaceful negotiations with foreign countries are facilitated, but they remain secret at first (prenatal Moon moves through the

twelfth house). Thus a new situation is being prepared a long time ahead.

June 1940 is a fateful month for the German Reich. This is a month which we refer to in different chapters of this book, and we deal with it in a special way in the tables at the end. In Germany's horoscope, the progressive Moon stands in opposition to Saturn, which is on the cusp of the house of Death. At the time when Hitler seized power, the progressive Moon stood in Aries and square to Saturn. For the people (Moon) began a seven-year period of thralldom (Saturn). The people are now opposed to this tyranny and try to shake off their bonds. There will be the downfall and death of leading personalities ; a section of the people will be greatly shocked by tragic occurrences in the Reich.

The progressive Moon during this period happens to be in Cancer and on the cusp of the house of possessions. Thus there will be loss of territory and Greater Germany will once more be brought within the limit of her earlier boundaries. The financial conditions of the Reich must be put down as hopeless. About the middle of this month the prenatal Moon stands square to Mars : we shall hear of warlike events from the Reich ; of struggles for power and assassinations. Towards the end of the month the progressive Moon reaches a sextile to Venus : the people, changeable as they are, ally themselves to new men for whom they have the greatest sympathy. In this connection it is interesting to note that the prenatal Moon of the Third Reich will at this time be touched up by a trine from Brüning's Uranus. Many will begin to see in Dr. Brüning their saviour. Foreign countries, with the consent of the new German government, will make terms to save Germany from economic ruin.

About June 3, 1940, the transiting Jupiter comes

into conjunction with the progressive Venus and, at the same time, receives a trine from Saturn. The new Moon of June 6 falls on the Ascendant of the Reich's horoscope. Germany has to expect notable aid from foreign countries. An atmosphere of peacefulness and decreasing tension break the chains of a seven-year tyranny. We will hear of weapons being laid down and of peace negotiations. Important events in Germany's neighbour states exercise a great influence on the destiny of the Reich. About June 26, 1940, the transiting Uranus is in sextile to its radical position. This transit coincides with a square of the transiting Uranus to its radical position about June 13 in the horoscope of the German Republic. There will be changes among the German people in connection with revolutionary currents in neighbouring states, and a significant shifting of power. (See tables)

In July 1940, the prenatal Moon is in harmonious relation to Mars : the Army Party succeed in gaining the confidence of the people with help of democratic statesmen. The German General Staff more and more shake off the remnants of Nazism and follow a new course. Fresh plans are enthusiastically laid for the work of building up a new Germany. But in August 1940, the progressive Moon has to pass a square with Mars which indicates that the struggles within the German Reich are not at an end. We hear of disunity, signs of civil war and other shaking events which bring losses to the Reich. We also want to mention that the progressive Moon of the German Reich in September 1940 reaches an opposition to the Moon in Hitler's horoscope and in November 1940, an opposition to Jupiter. The German people have to beware of a reaction towards Nazism, and we will hear of sensational trials in connection with Hitlerism, now already overthrown.

The horoscope of the new German Army which I put up for March 16, 1935, provides excellent confirmation of these prognostications. On that day the decree for the re-establishment of the Army was issued. In this horoscope we read a great deal about the secret desires of the German Army Party and understand from it why the German General Staff has for years come to terms with the Nazis who had quite different aims from their own. The German generals saw no fulfilment in the Third Reich but saw in it instead a springboard for the fulfilment of their own dreams of power. The Mars-opposition-Uranus tells us about the secret struggle of the Army with the Party ideology, while the Sun trine Jupiter tells us much about their secret admiration for the cultural possessions which the Nazis hate.

The aspects in the Army horoscope for 1940 tell us that this war against Hitlerism is also a war against Hitlerism for the Army Party. Some Army leaders, by reason of their ambitions, may have gone over to Hitler, but the German Army as a whole will preserve the German people and the world from the bloodbath which must, according to human estimate, be the result of this war. Events about March 26, about May 5 and about June 3, 1940 will solve many of the riddles of Hitler's power for us. Hitler should have been the connecting link between the Army, the aristocracy and the people. Hitler believed in an eternal Reich, but the German General Staff knew that Hitler's Reich could only be the precursor of a new Reich which they have in secret been building up. It has not all gone in accordance with their desires, but it is the German Army in alliance with the real Germany which will forestall the chaos which threatens to envelope that country at the end of a lost war.

"The Kaiser went but the Generals remained." Hitler followed in the Kaiser's footsteps. Hitler will go but the Generals will remain. They are an expression of a noteworthy characteristic in the German people, and it is impossible for the people to change their innate character, from one day to the next. To achieve this, they must have a long history. But the time will come when even the generals will prefer to renounce honours and see their mission as the protection of humanity from the weapons of war.

"I sought to conquer the world with the sword. My successor must try to conquer it with the spirit." None less than Napoleon used this phrase, and Beethoven, talking about him once said : "It is a pity I do not understand the arts of war as I understand music or I would have beaten him!" He meant that victory always goes in the end to him through whom the spirit of truth speaks.

HITLER'S WAR AND ITS EUROPEAN MISSION AND THE WAR HOROSCOPES OF ENGLAND, FRANCE AND GERMANY

Hitler's Reductio ad Absurdum · Nationalism and anti-Semitism · German Revolution Brings Peace · Time with Allies · Russia's Part in Ending War · Ribbentrop's Error · His Danzig Speech · War Horoscopes

HITLER's mission consists of carrying everything he believes in to absurdity. And, because millions of Germans identified themselves with his aims, they are now compelled to participate in all his trickeries, daily growing less and less possible. The Leader and all his followers have tangled themselves into a knot which only a catastrophe can untie. First of all, Hitler carried nationalism to absurdity. On account of his insatiable urge for expansion, he pretended he wanted to bring every single German back into the Reich, but at the same time he renounced territory in which German influence has for years been paramount. With Hitler it is too obviously not a case either of Germanism, the interests of his country or the unification of all Germans into a single Reich ; it is his personal interests and the interests of those who have made him what he is.

Those in the South Tyrol or in Poland who have made sacrifices for their fatherland, those who felt affectionately for their homes in the Baltic or in Finland, see themselves driven from soil that is

theirs, fearing for the realities of a nationalism from which they had expected other than the loss of all that had, for a lifetime, been dear to them. They see themselves sacrificed to interests which are not their interests, sacrificed so that Germany might increase her foreign currency.

Indeed, this Hitler who felt that he had been called to forge the German people into an unity has deprived them of a belief in their country and a belief that nationalism could make them happy.

Next Hitler carried anti-Semitism to absurdity. He drove the Jews out of the country but now he does not conceal his desire to have them all back again. He lay all the guilt at their door and made them responsible for all the failures of his nationalism. He even brings National Socialism into ridicule by admitting that the Jews, identified by him with the detested revolutionary centres of Moscow, are innocent. In fact, all the guilt that he ascribed to others now recoils upon him.

Having carried all that made him Germany's leader to absurdity, Hitler now carries the meaning of this war to absurdity. He has consecrated it to himself and stamped each German soldier, who has fallen because of his ambitions, as a martyr in his cause.

This new war will show however that, when Hitler spoke of war, he never meant a proper war. He is too much of a coward for that. He meant the terrorisation of minorities and of states unable to stand up to him. Just as he cannot tolerate a discussion and is only conscious of his swelling importance when he is doing all the talking, he cannot tolerate a real struggle and is only happy when he is striking the blows.

Seldom in human history has anything been more greatly feared than a new war. The wounds of the Great War have not yet been healed, the present-day

instruments of destruction are more devilish than ever before, and a man like Hitler would not scruple to use them. But this war will prove that, the more destructive the weapons, the more senseless a war, and so much less probable a war in the proper meaning of the word. War aims may be proclaimed, the masses may even be enthusiastic, but the decisive factor is and remains the "collective unconscious" of every nation. In other words : the common fear of a nation for its own destruction.

This war of Hitler's will bring great surprises. There may be fanatics who want to throw the world into chaos, but the common feelings of humanity stand against the destruction of European culture and of nations. It may be that struggle is the mainspring of Nature, but Hitler's objectives have nothing in common with these eternal struggles through which Nature seeks to provoke progress and advancement. Thus the warring nations will seek a safety-valve sooner than usual. Their aim is no longer war but peace and, before war can assume the proportions anticipated by the experts, a revolution in Germany will bring us this peace and give Europe a new face.

Readers of *Hitler's Last Year of Power* will remember that I looked upon Mr. Chamberlain as the man chosen to stop Hitler's drive for expansion. That he has tried to achieve his aim by methods other than those usually employed is the sign of a different kind of policy and not a sign of weakness. Mr. Chamberlain is Hitler's greatest opponent though not in the same sense as Mr. Churchill, Mr. Eden or Mr. Duff Cooper. They want to strike at Hitler with his weapons, but Mr. Chamberlain realises that Hitler can only be beaten by the weapons of which he is not the master. Strange as it may seem, Mr. Chamberlain, twenty years older than Hitler is

working with Time on his side. This, however, Hitler understands nothing of. He has no patience and does not know how to play the waiting game. "I am now fifty," he said to Sir Nevile Henderson, "I prefer war at fifty to war at fifty-five."

This war is nothing but a proof of Hitler's fear of Mr. Chamberlain's weapons ; above all of his chief weapon : Time. He knew he was getting the worst of it, deemed a war necessary, and thought that this war might—as so often in history—achieve a miracle.

But he has badly miscalculated. The Allies have no need to hurry, they bide their time for it is Time which is on their side. It is true that war has been formally declared, but has this fundamentally changed their policy ? No ; Chamberlain and England continually gain time while Hitler and Germany lose time, and this is what is going to prove decisive. Soon Hitler will be driven into a corner, soon there will be no loophole for him. The farsightedness of Mr. Chamberlain's policy must ultimately strangle Hitler's narrow dilentantism.

Although I clearly stated that there would be warlike actions and that Poland would be invaded, readers of my *Hitler's Last Year of Power* felt they had been misled when England and France declared war on Germany. I also spoke of warlike events as especially likely in 1940, although in my opinion a second World War will be avoided through revolution in Germany. Had the declaration of war been followed immediately by anything startling in the sense that we have feared, such as mass air raids, vast military operations and the like, I would have been both surprised and disappointed. I referred to a "fateful September," but not to such a catastrophe of the kind feared after Mr. Chamberlain's broadcast speech of

September 3. I do not want to maintain that such outrages as the torpedeoing of the *Athenia*, the mine war and similar events do not count as being among war's ravages, but every knowledgeable man realises that, in spite of everything, we cannot yet talk of a real war.

One noticeable thing after the first weeks is that the Allies are striving to prevent the extension of the war against Germany to a world conflagration. From the very start they resolved not to inflict defeat upon the German people and not to provoke war in the real sense of the word. They intend to help the German people to conclude a period of development which they had to undergo as a result of a lost war and a post-war epoch of considerable misery. This line of policy already existed before the declaration of war, and nothing much has subsequently happened to change it. The world and the German people had to realise that Hitler and his henchmen, after setting fire to the Reichstag, intended to set fire to the whole of Europe. To all intents and purposes, this war started much earlier on. It started perhaps on the day on which Hitler invaded Austria. It may even have started on the day on which German rearmament commenced, and from then on it was a succession of triumphs for Hitler. But the Allies allowed him his victories just as they allowed the Kaiser his victories.

We hear much of the weakness of democracy but rather should we hear of its strength and its political wisdom. The leaders of England and France learned from 1914-1918 that victory goes to the loser, and that the one who celebrates victory himself ultimately becomes the loser. This the German leader has never understood.

Since 1935 the tactics of the Allies have been to let Hitler win and, while Hitler concluded alliance

after alliance, they merely relied on their pact with Time. Hitler's alliances have been torn up, but the Allies still have their Pact with Time which becomes daily more and more effective. There is no bloodshed and no waving of flags among the Allies : theirs is the certainty of working in unison with the Universal Law and with reason ; theirs is the belief in truth and in the final victory.

BEFORE passing to pure prediction, it is worthwhile outlining the aims of this war against Hitlerism as they are mirrored in its horoscope. There seems to have been some misapprehension among some astrologers as to the exact moment of England's declaration of war on Germany. However, as our ultimatum expired at 11 o'clock (a.m. M.E.T.) on September 3, 1939, I hold this to be the moment at which we found ourselves at war with Germany and have cast my horoscope accordingly. There is little doubt that, apart from the ostensible war aims, other complex questions are involved in the undercurrents of any war. They represent what is going on in the unconscious mind of a nation and even of its responsible leaders. The astrologer is able to get below the surface of things and arrive at the essence of some of these complex questions, but in a book like this we can only touch on them in a general way.

Considering the realities of this war, we could say that it has a political, almost a cultural-political aspect. The democracies want to restore equilibrium in Europe and to defend themselves against aggressions. Such aggressions may ostensibly be based on idealistic conceptions but, in fact, they involve economic motives. Thus reactionary parties cannot help including the economic aspect in their definition of the war aims.

Apart from these considerations, there is the moral aim of establishing a new order in Europe by ridding ourselves of its conflicting ideologies. Even these ideological concepts may have an economic basis, but they are finally determined by the attitude of each individual towards the community and towards the rest of the world.

Fascism and Bolshevism are merely brothers at loggerheads whose eternal quarrel rests in their similarity and in their resemblance to each other, but they have a common enemy in democracy and are not shy in joining hands to destroy it. At the end of this war it will, nevertheless, be proved that both Fascism and Bolshevism were devious routes to democracy so that the Fascist and Bolshevik nations should better learn to understand democracy. It will be something like the return of the prodigal son when this happens, and in that parable lies a comparison to the ideological struggles of these times.

The historical mission of Hitler's war is to establish the very things he has tried to destroy, such an European Federation which constitutes the foundations of a new Europe, and the German Government, after Hitler has gone, will have to acknowledge that the nationalist state of Fascist creation does not satisfy the demands of the new epoch, for the future belongs not to any single nation but to Europe as a whole.

The settling of Poland's future might have been the apparent motive of this war (Taurus in the seventh house), but Soviet Russia really sponsored it by her pact with Germany and will also play a decisive part in its termination (Aquarius at the Nadir). I refer to this subject in greater detail in my chapter entitled "Hitler and Stalin," and also discuss how this will

come about. Happily, Libra rising in the war horoscope removes from its character the frightfulness we believed we had to expect. Thoughts of peace and an honourable peace (Venus conjunction Sun) dominate from the very outset.

This war, consciously desired by Germany's present rulers, was forced upon the Allies. And here the question arises as to whether war would ever have broken out if England had had a strong man—a second Hitler perhaps. Such a question calls to mind the words of an accused who tells the judge that he would never have done it had he not been drunk, whereupon the judge retorts "and why were you drunk?" To this, of course, there could be no answer. There might be stronger personalities in English politics than Mr. Chamberlain, but seldom has there been anyone who was more a man of destiny. By this I mean that there has seldom been a man more willing to fulfil his allotted task to the exclusion of his personal desires. By his policy he will allow events to take their course, which will decide the new Europe and the new policy for the world. To stop Germany in 1933 or in 1935 would not have contributed to a re-orientation of Europe. A Germany thus stopped would have continued to be a restless element, for the use of force then would only have further engendered the spirit of revenge in her. Her spirit of self-assertion was not, for example, destroyed by her defeat in the Great War and certainly not by the Treaty of Versailles.

This war is part of the German people's process of development, for nature is striving to adjust and educate them into a really democratic unity. Their repressed instincts had to find expression, the darker side of their character had to break through and they chose the abnormal, brutal Hitler because he

was the symbol for these immature and brutal instincts. This is the way of Germany's restoration to health and, had Germany been stopped earlier on, there could have been no liberation for her from the long repressed instincts which is, in the future, going to make a new Europe possible.

In *Hitler's Last Year of Power*, I wrote that Hitler had no luck in war, and that he only lusts after aggression. He only attacks people and powers than whom he feels greater. He avoids every real conflict and now, face to face with this very thing, he will try manœuvre after manœuvre, and thus hope to bring the war to an end. There will be trickery and inventions, surprise moves to lead the Allies astray or to divide them, but his methods are too well known now to have much chance of success. It is not wisdom but fear of accepting the responsibility that will cause him to control his sadistic leanings. With such a psychopath, however, there will be days when he may lose every restraint and resort to most brutal measures. On such days whisperers like Ribbentrop find him easy game, but subsequently there are for him periods of nagging doubts and fears that bore into him. It is these changes that we have to calculate on and be constantly on guard against.

Hitler's lightning moves spring from fear and indecision. He must first master himself, must first work himself into a pitch bordering on ecstasy before attacking with a lightning stroke or the next minute there will be remorse and tears. This is what Goebbels and the others know well, and so they serve up alarming announcements to him, most of which are pure inventions in order to provoke him into actions which they themselves desire. The

Führer must slowly be put into a rage, the slumbering instincts must be goaded and whipped up to gigantic proportions before he becomes capable of acting. This change-over from a crushed and brooding dissemler into a man of will and action is perhaps only understandable to the psychologist, but Hitler's strange dualism is what those around him play upon incessantly. If there were no Goebbels, no Himmler to incite him and arouse his impulses, there would probably be no Hitler. It would therefore be wrong to call Hitler a fighter. He is not that in the proper sense of the word. When the whisperers around him talk about a *blitzkrieg*, they are speaking with a knowledge of this pathological condition of his.

Thus Mr. Chamberlain's policy of alluring Hitler into situations from which there is no way out and in which his rule of lightning action cannot succeed, is both unique and great. Mr. Chamberlain did not want a war but his policy had brought Hitler to such an *impasse* that he did not know which way to turn, and even his leadership of Germany began to be questioned. Desperate, he has thrown himself into a war which he hopes will enable him to repeat his earlier successes and thus retrieve his position. Hitler has foundered because of his primitive logic.

Ribbentrop maintained that the English would not fight because of their love of peace and humanity. He maintained that they were not even ready for war. The death of Czechoslovakia helped to confirm his belief. And when the hate-campaign against Poland started with a repetition of all the sickening Nazi technique, Ribbentrop again assured his *Führer* that England would certainly not fight. He mocked them as a nation who were old-fashioned enough to believe in God, and probably looked frequently up

at the skies to sight the aeroplane that ought to have brought Mr. Chamberlain a fourth time to Germany and to a second Munich. But England declared war on Germany on the fateful Sunday morning of September 3, and France also on that same day. This was not bluff, though Ribbentrop might even then have again assured Hitler that once the Poles were finished, the war could be called off. As I write, over two months after our declaration of war on Germany, I see on every side the growing resolve of the Allies to destroy Hitlerism and rid Europe of its menace. Ribbentrop had guessed wrong.

At Danzig on October 24 at 8.15 p.m. Ribbentrop addressed a vast gathering. A few days earlier Goebbels had hurled his insults at Mr. Churchill. It was now Ribbentrop's turn to start the attack on Mr. Chamberlain. In his speech he acknowledged by implication that he had been wrong and that he had made the greatest mistake of his life. He obviously found it difficult to admit to the German people, ignorant of the true course of events that, although Poland was conquered, there was to be no peace. Towards half-past ten that evening he declared war on England in the name of the German people. The speech was taken as being meant for German consumption only, but its real object was to sting the sleeping impulses of Hitler into action and to create a situation which would force him to move.

A study of the horoscope of Ribbentrop's "declaration of War" on England clarifies much that in other horoscopes seemed full of inconsistencies. While the date of England's declaration of war on Germany mirrors her war prospects, there is no doubt that the horoscope of Ribbentrop's "declaration of war" tells us about Nazi Germany's war prospects. The

decisive periods in the other horoscopes coincide with the transits and directions in this, except that here everything is looked at from a different angle of view. The comparison between the English and German horoscopes yields the following results : in the English war horoscope (as in the French war horoscope of which we will speak later) all spirit of aggression is missing. The sign of peace, Libra, rises and Mars, the god of war, receives trines from Uranus and Neptune, which cause the Mars to struggle for higher aims. We can even speak of an "ennobled" spirit of struggle. The Mars sign Aries stands at the Zenith: all forces are concentrated in a fight for the independence of nations. There is a creative drive to reform Europe (Mars trine Venus). The war instinct as such is marvellously held in check (Mars in Capricorn). It stands in the service of a higher aim and is not senselessly wasted. This Mars, controlled by Saturn, constitutes the "long view" of the British policy of defence.

Everything, however, looks quite different in the horoscope of Nazi Germany. Pluto in Leo rises, while Pluto also stands square to the Sun, ruler of the horoscope. In addition, the Sun is placed in Scorpio, the sign of destruction. What does this mean ? It means delusions of power, increasing in their devilishness. Nothing is to be considered in tranquil contemplation ; something of a completely destructive instinct dominates an adventurous policy. What a criminal intoxication with power and might ! What a vain over-estimating of strength ! If it was ever felt that there was a certain justification for Hitler's demands, this war has destroyed it completely, for it has shown us the Hitler without the mask. His speeches to the people, full of national ambitions served the purpose of covering up his

blind fury and hatred against everything that is sane and sound. This man's instincts only aim at the destruction of mankind and its civilisation. His hatred may be limitless but the forces opposing him will bring about his downfall.

How different also is the Mars in the Nazi war horoscope. It stands in Aquarius, the sign of tumult and afflicts its modifier Uranus. In addition, it is in the house of death and destruction. What a meaningless struggle against progress ; what a danger for the ideals of the civilised world ! Mars in Aquarius in the house of Death ! The spirit of Nazi Germany serves the criminal instincts of war which, from time to time, flame up of their own accord, in an immeasurable and meaningless drive towards destruction.

In the spring of 1940, the progressive Mercury receives an opposition from Uranus and the artificially imposed unity in Germany breaks up. Struggles for power in the Reich create a new situation. During March and April 1940 the Moon, ruler of the horoscope, passes over the Zenith. It is interesting to note that the Ascendant in the war horoscope stands in the same degree of the Zodiac as the Mid-Heaven in Hitler's horoscope. Thus it is the war that decides Hitler's destiny. The people during these months will become restless and a change in the government will result.

About March 24, 1940, the Sun, the birth ruler, will be darkened by a Saturn opposition. During the weeks following, the leaders in Germany will realise that it is not they who make history. The day of reckoning is drawing near. About April 9, 1940, Uranus reaches an opposition to Mercury, and about April 20, Uranus passes over its radical position. Both transits bring the Mercury direction

of which we spoke earlier into effect. Revolutionary happenings inside Nazi Germany will be the topic of every conversation. Violent deaths among leaders of the Third Reich. Everything is topsy-turvy, and the economic situation is desperate. The people can no longer be held in check and there is division everywhere. Above all, the storm breaks loose in countries enslaved by Hitler.

About April 12 and 13 Saturn passes over a square with Pluto. Pluto itself is square to the Sun in April and trine to Jupiter. It becomes clear how far Hitler has over-estimated his strength and how little he has known his followers.

During May and June 1940, the progressive Moon passes over Jupiter: understanding between the German people and foreign countries; they breathe again and shake off their tyranny. Is it to be understood from this Moon-Jupiter relationship that the ex-Chancellor Dr. Brüning returns? About May 5, 1940, the transiting Jupiter has to pass over Saturn: a black day for Nazi Germany. About May 18, 1940, Jupiter and the Sun are in opposition: critical for those who started the war: sensational arrests. About May 29, 1940, Jupiter is square to Pluto: struggles for power, breaches of confidence; tension with the law; lawless measures.

During May and June 1940, the prenatal Moon receives two harmonious aspects from Mars and Venus. The first of these aspects encourages the Germans and those enslaved by Hitler to struggle against the rule of force. The second of these aspects denotes successes in this direction and peace.

About July 27, 1940, the Dragon's Head has reached a trine to Mars. About July 28, Jupiter and Venus are in opposition. Around this time we shall again hear of important happenings in Germany.

There will be unpopular measures; compulsory decrees? Critical for the finances of the Reich. A rearrangement of power is possible. Outstanding during August and September 1940 is the trine of the progressive Moon to Pluto. The new Germany takes on a more definite shape. Continual re-arrangement of power, but the exact face of the new Germany slowly takes definite shape.

The famous Saturn conjunction Jupiter of August 8 falls exactly in a square with Mars. We can count on dramatic happenings during this period. Serious struggles for power in Europe and above all inside and round about Germany assassinations, murder of politicians. The period around August 8 seems to be the most decisive of the different phases which the German Revolution has passed through since the end of March 1940. If historic events have occurred during earlier dates, we shall, during these August days—a quarter of a century after the World War—witness the making of history.

THOUGH France declared war on Germany a few hours after England, there was not much change in the planetary sense. Nearly all the transits and directions which operate in the English war horoscope become effective in the destiny of the French declaration of war on Germany.

Of course all the planets were in different houses, and the manner in which the French will react to the war is naturally different from that of the English, in view also of their temperamental differences.

In the French war horoscope Capricorn rises, and since Saturn becomes the ruler of the horoscope, we can imagine how difficult it has been for this cultivated and civilised nation to think of finding itself once again in a state of war. Only Mars rising in Capricorn

tells of a sense of responsibility and an inborn courage in battle. Each Frenchman will fulfil his duty towards his country and towards those ideals which make life worth living (Mars trine Uranus).

The Saturn-Jupiter conjunction of August 1940 falls in a trine with the Ascendant. Thus France will also realise the European mission of this war against Hitlerism ; it will warn her against a repetition of the German experiment and her development will take another course. In the spring of 1941 the progressive Moon in the horoscope of the French Republic passes over Uranus and Mars, and we shall then hear of changes in France. The people will move towards the Left. This change about will have lasting effects on the spiritual life of the whole of Europe. The new leaders of France will see a jumping-off ground to power in the war against Hitlerism. Thus here again Hitler would have brought about what he did not desire, for his mission is to carry everything in which he believes to absurdity, and to establish the very things which he thought he had been called upon to destroy.

In my *Hitler's Last Year of Power*, I discussed the horoscope of the French Republic, and the horoscopes of President Lebrun, M. Daladier and M. Blum. Interested readers can thus find more details concerning the future of France in that book.

to reassure himself on all sides, it is foolish for him to think that he can play hide and seek with Universal Law. A storm breaks loose. The underground revolutionary movements cannot be checked any longer ; even his intimates fall upon him and betray him. The enemies of his criminal policy are everywhere. The friends of Europe are at work to teach him his lesson. Now there is no more need to fake an attempt on his life in order to demonstrate his importance to the world.

About March 26 and 27, 1940, Saturn again overshadows the Sun. This same conjunction fell due at the commencement of September 1939 when the declaration of war by the Allies struck at him—an appalling blow for a gambler who only liked to oppress the weak.

Saturn now stands on the Sun. Where then is the great *Führer*'s power ? How it has ebbed away ! It becomes clear to Hitler that he is to be called to account by powers stronger than he. Thunder clouds are gathering and all the little Brutuses and the big Brutuses around him reach for the dagger to strike at their Cæsar. The *Führer* of millions is completely deserted. Now there are no hands stretched out towards him, now he perceives that there was enthusiasm for his promises but not for him ; now he sees that he is lost because he failed to keep his promises. The law of cause and effect has begun to operate !

The transiting Jupiter will be violently afflicted by Uranus from the end of March until the beginning of April 1940. It is the start of the judgment on Hitler. He then experiences the biggest surprise of his life, his biggest disappointment, but it is the truth that machine guns have been of no avail, that the people are not with him, that he has no friends. The

transiting Sun itself during these days receives squares from the Moon and Jupiter (the latter exact on March 29). Of what avail now are speeches and laws which make a mockery of God and justice? Of what avail are accusations, of a desperate search for innocent people to hold guilty? He himself stands accused before the world, and the whole world will pass judgment on him.

Venus now stands in Taurus on the cusp of the house of loss and death. Will he—to use a psychological term—"escape" into disease (throat, larynx), or "escape" into death? The world condemns him and will no longer let him escape until the curtain goes down on the last act of his tragedy. Neptune passes through the house of death, and is square to the progressive Zenith. How the *Führer* has got caught in the trap laid by his comrades. Deceit and treason: this is his cry. Comes the echoing answer: the biter bit, the traitor betrayed.

What a fiasco! The Third Reich was a phantom that had its origins in his mad broodings. It was built on sand, it was a giant without feet.

During this time the progressive Moon is in opposition to the progressive Venus. We have already said that the last friends have deserted their leader like rats the sinking ship.. Partnerships are broken up. Those who still stand by him do so out of desperation, since for them also the way of escape is barred for ever.

It is interesting that, during this period, Hitler's progressive Moon is in opposition to the Moon in the horoscope of the National Socialist Party (exact middle of March). The Party Leader falls out with the Party members. He has for years been opposed to the Party, except that he now lets his mask drop more openly from him and many of his colleagues

begin to shake their heads over their stupidity. In the horoscope of the Party, the Moon, ruler of the mid-Heaven (party leadership) stands on the cusp of the house of death. Sorry signs for the continued existence of this curious creation. About March 15, 1940, Jupiter in the horoscope of the Party stands square to its radical position, and about March 26 also stands square to the progressive Jupiter. Will there be legal proceedings against the Party? Enemies of the Party struggle for power and it is threatened with legal dissolution. From the catastrophic Moon directions which operate at the change of the year 1939-1940 (conjunction Saturn and opposition Mars), we already perceive how every joint in the Party creaks. It has served its purpose and its time has passed: it was not an end, it was only a means to an end.

There is one other aspect of outstanding interest: from March—May 1940, Hitler's progressive Moon must pass over Göring's Uranus. A big surprise may be in store for the *Führer*. It shows that when Göring talked of his "well-beloved Führer," he was thinking something quite different. He saw in his *Führer* the road to power, and it now seems to him that the time has come when the *Führer's* weakness is his strength. Hitler may find that he "must beware of friends though he protects himself against enemies." However, we do not wish to overlook the fact that Hitler has a favourable Moon direction in this period: Moon sextile Jupiter (exact in March). But the benefits deriving from this aspect should be of greater advantage to other powers than to himself. As we have already said in *Hitler's Last Year of Power*, Hitler's successes profit his secret enemies and by no means profit him in the same measure. He is only an instrument to be made use of and

discarded at the moment when he endangers the successes he has achieved.

With Hitler it is to a certain extent the same as it was with the Kaiser. The Kaiser won battles but his opponents within his country and abroad won the war. If there are triumphs to be recorded for Hitler during this period, then these triumphs would have come too early. Peace talks and peace offers during this time only afford him a little self-indulgence and lighten his immeasurable consciousness of guilt. He may even incline towards peaceful aims which nobody was previously in a position to examine and which will prove advantageous to neighbour states. Basically, however, it remains as Mr. Churchill declared in a broadcast speech : " Hitler began the war but it is for the Allies to say when it will end."

In April 1940, the month of his birth, the new Moon falls on a sensitive point in his horoscope. An Uranus opposition will affect it (April 7), and about April 2, Jupiter stands at the same point. About April 24 the Dragon's Head passes Uranus. From all this we can conclude how Hitler comes to his downfall with one huge surprise after another. The twelfth house, the house of trials, of secret enemies and of division, again plays its part just as it did after the abortive *putsch* of November 1923. His *dæmon* which has driven him from crime to crime now pursues him, and its next victim is Hitler himself.

May, 1940, is a specially unhappy moment in the last act of Hitler's tragedy. On May 7 the new Moon falls on Hitler's Mars and Venus. It is self-evident that great things will happen around these days. There are questions of war and peace ; one man must go to his downfall so that all can live again.

About May 5, 1940, the Uranus in Hitler's horoscope

afflicts the Moon : the people rebel ; sudden changes come about ; sensational surprises for the whole world. About May 11, 1940, Saturn is in trine to the Moon. Hitler is temporarily aided by this. Once again he tries to win back the people ; he tries to curb himself and to conciliate foreign countries. About May 19, 1940, the transiting Jupiter passes over the Sun. At any other time, this aspect would have brought a triumph, but it now brings only a quickly passing ray of light. The time for peace speeches from him has passed. The best thing for him to do would be to pay a visit to the Kaiser at Doorn so that they might exchange experiences. But can he still make good his escape ?

About May 25, 1940, Hitler can even boast of a Saturn trine Jupiter, but it is the same with this as with other aspects. They change nothing for Hitler in the long run. Measures to get an economic system that is ruined into operation again are of no avail. He plays more and more into the hands of his enemies. We can call it success if it is a success for him to retain his power at the expense of his promises and his real aims. This has for a whole year been the secret of Hitler's power. He always played the strong man and allowed himself to be crowned with one laurel wreath after another. But it has really been the strong men behind him, more eager for real possessions than for honours, who were completely satisfied with his successes. He has talked a great deal about the honour of the German people, but he only meant his own honour, which was worth nothing either at home or abroad.

About May 23, 1940, the Dragon's Head stands in opposition to Uranus. This tells us still more of Hitler's true position. His throne is tottering, and he will receive many great surprises.

And then comes June 1940. The miracles for which the *Führer*, believing in Divine Providence awaited, have not happened. Instead comes everything that Hitler has tried with all his might to prevent. Armies at the front, a huge army for the home front, aeroplanes and submarines, secret weapons, motor roads, a bodyguard and the Gestapo : of what use to him are they now ? "Something is rotten within the state of Nazi Germany." Hitler has lost. The Allies have again triumphed. Germany, the real Germany, has triumphed. German Fascism is smashed. The swastika flag is in flames. Of the black, white and red flag of Kaiserism and the black, red and gold flag of Republicanism, a new Germany will be forged. Hitler has lost.

During the months of May and June, the transiting Neptune afflicts the progressive Mars. The world has learned to know Hitler's Mars, but what the world now sees is that the Universal Law once again provides a lesson for all who think they have the Field-Marshal's baton in their knapsacks. When the Ruler of the Universe withdraws his mandate the most powerful among us are rendered powerless. Men only think they are the makers of history.

Neptune square Mars ! The weakling Hitler wanted to prop himself up and thus came German rearment. Now Hitler will be overthrown. Thus comes German disarmament and world disarmament. A democratic world order only needs policemen to look after its criminals. It does not need machine guns to look after people who want to understand, respect and love one another. The war against Hitlerism will nevertheless not be the last "Mars" event in Germany. Hitler's delusions of might brought with them a disarrangement of power in Europe which (with the help of a changed Germany)

must first be set right before that democratic Europe, which according to the writing in the sky I see growing, can live.

The Uranus-Jupiter conjunction which will be exact about June 3, 1940, even in Hitler's horoscope tells of the new spirit which is now spreading through the countries of Europe. We are not only standing at the cradle of an Europe that is thinking anew politically, but we are also facing a transformation in both religious and world outlook such as rarely occurs in human history. And it will be proved that attacks on culture have not done it any harm. It should be a great hour for religious denominations if they but understand the signs of the times and serve the new spirit which breaks into the world.

The July days of 1940 are dark days indeed for Hitler. The progressive Moon has reached a most sinister point in Scorpio. It is square to Saturn. Hitler's downfall through the various stages of his decline, has become a reality. He, however, deludes himself about the signs of detriment that have shown themselves during recent months, and his downfall which now becomes inevitable seems to him like a bolt from the blue. A deep melancholy seeps into his being, already consumed by an inferiority complex.

When on July 18 the transiting Saturn stands square to its radical position, this man could become conscious of his endless crimes. Instead, he torments himself with bitter thoughts and accuses all those who he calls the " betrayers of his mission." About July 28 and 29, 1940, the transiting Jupiter is square to Saturn. The beliefs of this once almighty leader are shattered and the forces behind his undertakings are paralysed. About July 24, 1940, Mars afflicts Saturn, while about July 29, it stands hostile to its own radical position. We will hear of desperate

struggles and deeds of violence ; of serious disagreements with partners, subordinates and with public opinion. He is seized with horror when he contemplates his past and thinks of the retribution which must come to him and to his faithful.

On August 3, the new Moon falls on Hitler's Saturn. on August 6 the Sun is in conjunction with Saturn. Light and Darkness fight for the upperhand. On August 16 the Dragon's Head forms a sextile to Saturn from the twelfth house, and, what is even more interesting, Hitler's progressive Moon will be affected by two critical aspects in the Party horoscope during July and August, 1940. There will be a Saturn conjunction and a Mars opposition ; clear portents of the tragedy of German Fascism. Since Hitler's political power and the power of his Party is then at its end, the aspects in Hitler's horoscope which I give below are not likely to be of such great interest as is the case to-day. Both justice and his enemies will deal with him and he will not survive his downfall for long. It is not for me to give the exact time of his death, but it suffices to say that aspects dangerous to his life have to be overcome during the Autumn of 1940.

As I have said before concerning General von Fritsch, we should not think that with a man's death, his horoscope ceases to function. For as long as Hitler's name lives, there will be some for him and some against him, and thus the organism of his horoscope lives on. Thus also we can follow the destiny of Hitlerism from Hitler's own personal horoscope, even if he is himself no longer alive. And, what is more, it is clear that even with the downfall of Nazism, not all its mass hypnosis will have been rooted out of the people.

September 1940 continues with a square of the progressive Moon to the progressive Saturn, which

marks another stage in the rapid decline of Nazism. October 1940 brings two specially critical aspects for Hitlerism: the opposition of the progressive Moon to Mars and Venus. Hitler's followers have to beware that a situation, comparable to Napoleon's Hundred Days, does not come about. Even another *putsch* to regain power will be unavailing. They would be well advised not to increase the measure of their guilt. Hitlerism struggles between life and death. About October 5 and 6, there is a repetition of Saturn's July aspect while Jupiter repeats its July aspect about October 11 and 12. Night has fallen over the destiny of Hitlerism.

Following critical aspects for the Nazis during November, especially the 21st and 24th, December will end this anxious year for Nazism on a note as grave as it has been throughout 1940. The prenatal Moon receives squares from Mars and Venus. Uranus repeats its aspects of June 3 about December 8. On Christmas Day the Dragon's Head in the twelfth house receives a square from the Moon. We would far overstep the bounds of this book to explain each of these aspects in detail, but I have attempted (and hope succeeded) in showing in broad strokes the curve of Hitler's fate and the fate of those guilty with him.

GÖRING'S TWO FACES

His Struggle for Power · Hitler's Brutus · He reaches his Goal · His Inglorious End

It would be difficult to build a picture of things to come in Germany without including the man who will be called upon to transform the Third Reich into a Fourth Reich—and knows it. We mean General Göring. His exceptional position lies in that he is an exponent both of the Nazi Party and of the Army. In so far as the Party and the Army are rivals for power, Göring sees which way the wind is blowing and decides to go the way most likely to bring him success. His extraordinary influence with the people makes him more a representative of Germany than all the other Nazi leaders put together. And so it happens that there is sympathy for him even in quarters in which he should not expect to find favour because of his two-facedness, and it is also amazing that Göring, to-day a big capitalist, should have gained favour even in proletarian circles. Both at home and abroad, Göring's name still spells hope. How far is all this justified and how far will these hopes be realised?

Like Hitler, Göring has Saturn at the Zenith. He also is struggling for supreme power and will not rest until he has gained this power and until he is overthrown. His adherence to Hitler has some unnatural about it, for Göring is altogether

radical position, a sure sign of the growth of Göring's power. He will make contacts abroad and the whole European situation from that time onwards will undergo a surprising change. He is not friendly disposed towards Ribbentrop's pact with Stalin and will feel it is a tragedy to have friends as enemies and enemies as friends.

The activity that Göring will display during February and March 1940 will naturally be intense and not without danger for him. Among the many Moon directions which now come into effect, there are squares to Mars and Uranus. He meets serious resistance by letting the nature of his reforms get known, and there will be attempts on his life in party circles. During the period of unbelievable tension between February and May 1940, Göring's progressive as well as prenatal Moon stand critically towards Hitler's horoscope and that of the Nazi Party. The unsound structure of the party will now be revealed. Various cliques within it are formed and these struggle against each other for power. The disintegration of the party which becomes visible towards the end of January seals its fate. In January and February 1940, the progressive Moon passes over a Saturn conjunction and over a Mars opposition in the horoscope of the Nazi Party. A bad look-out for the party which breaks up because of its limitless power-delusions.

About April 23, 1940, Jupiter is in conjunction to its position in the progressive horoscope, denoting another brilliant period in Göring's rise to power. But a most decisive aspect will become exact about May 16, 1940, when Uranus will be trine to the Sun and will strengthen the effects of the Sun-Uranus direction of which we spoke earlier. The events of these months will prove Göring's ability as a re-

former. He wins through and reaches his goal. The trine of the prenatal Moon to Saturn which will have its main effects during June and July 1940 also tells us this.

The days between June 11 and 13, 1940 are among the most notable in the year for Göring. The Dragon's Tail passes over Jupiter and Saturn stands in opposition to Uranus. His power during these critical days is in danger, and he has to fear assassination. There is serious tension with colleagues, revolutionary events are countered with severity, and there will be sharp measures against adversaries, while there will be violent deaths among former friends in the Party. During this period Göring can hold his own against the revolutionary currents. His will to power makes him adaptable and he seeks a prop among connections with whom he has not always been in agreement.

In August and September 1940, there are grave days for him again. About August 30, 1940, the conjunction between the Dragon's Head and Saturn threatens his strong position. About September 1, critical Jupiter and Mars transits tell of treason and slander. Even this German leader is not destined to a glorious exit. The Saturn in the mid-Heaven gives him no peace. He also ventures into situations which finally prepare a lamentable end for all his dreams of power and greatness.

BRÜNING : GERMANY'S COMING LEADER

His Fall in 1933 · His Exile · A True German · His Superhuman Patience · His New Power · Coming Call to Leadership · To Build a New Germany · Success in Difficult Task

ON the evening of January 30, 1933, an endless torch-light procession lit up Germany's capital city. Hitler had come to power. Millions of his followers were in ecstasy. They had voted for their Adolf ; now they wanted to be present when their chosen representative greeted the crowds from a balcony in the Wilhelmstrasse. He was, after all, indebted to them for what he had become.

Chancellor ! Hitler was Chancellor ! He thought of Bismarck, whose position he now occupied. He thought of the thirteen Chancellors who had guided German destinies since the Reich's foundation. He laughed about the man who had a year ago still been Chancellor and whom he had helped to drive out.

On that evening, this ex-Chancellor, Dr. Heinrich Brüning sat in his small, remote Berlin apartment and thought. . . . Why exactly was he no longer master in the Wilhelmstrasse ? He had had the courage to tell his people the truth. Things were going badly for his country. He had to issue decrees that were necessary, but they would have been tolerable. Meanwhile, this man over whom thousands

to calculate on a surprising turn of events. Responsible German and foreign sources will make contact with Brüning, and future events are being prepared for in advance. In August 1939 the prenatal Mercury reached the radical position of Jupiter, thus making it clear that the happenings during that month which led to war signify a landmark in this statesman's life. Fresh contacts make him see that the prominent rôle he has played in the political affairs of his country has not ended. On the day of the Franco-British declarations of war on Germany, the transiting Jupiter was in exact opposition to Uranus, and we can imagine how the thought of a new war must have shocked Brüning. He had worked for peace, but it now seemed to have been all in vain. His countrymen and his friends all over the world would fall because one man's instinct for conquest seemed to know no limit.

But Brüning's Jupiter is too big to allow him to lose sight of the need of the times or of a sense of the wholeness of things. He secretly tenses himself and prepares for great things. In March and April 1940 Mercury and Mars are in trine to each other (progressive). Mercury is Brüning's birth-ruler, while Mars dominates his desire for the leadership of his country. (Ruler of the eleventh house in the fourth house.) Serve he will, and devote himself to working for the community ; he will throw his whole strength into carrying the heavy burdens of all (Mars in Virgo).

The Spring of 1940 will bring fulfilment for him in many things. Destiny recompenses him and enables him to understand why he had to fall and why he had to flee into exile. An immense energy surges through him ; the fighter in him gains the upper hand over the thinker, but his fight is the fight of a thinker.

Although a series of significant aspects have already built up in Brüning's horoscope at the turn of the year 1939-1940, we wish to give particular attention to a most important period from May to September 1940. During this time Dr. Brüning again comes into the foreground and is plainly destined to be the leader of the new Germany.

Earlier, the second part of March is important. The progressive Moon receives a sextile from the progressive Mars. Events take place the world over which encourage Brüning to hope and to action. He is drawn into important negotiations. The force of real leadership pours out of him.

Meanwhile the prenatal Moon is touched up by an Uranus sextile. Surprising events bring an unexpected turn in Brüning's fate; his life enters upon a completely new phase; friendly contacts are made, and his vision is broadened by new knowledge in which Astrology (Uranus) may also play an important part. Here are some important transits about the 18th-20th March, 1940:

18th : Dragon's Head square Venus.

19th : Saturn square progressive Sun.

20th : Uranus opposition prenatal Venus.

Difficult tests lie before the ex-Chancellor. Decisions of importance to his whole life have to be taken. About March 24, Neptune trine to its radical position will evoke its own particular sensations. Relationships that are kept secret awake his hopes. About March 25, 1940, Mars passes the prenatal Neptune. On this and subsequent days, so significant for the whole of Europe, Brüning will feel strongly disturbed. Should this book fall into his hands, he will know that he must, during this period, exercise special caution.

In April 1940, the Jupiter trine Mercury interests us above all else, and this transit (becoming exact

about the 26th) is significant in many respects. Since Mercury is Brüning's birth-ruler, this aspect strengthens the already mentioned Mercury-Jupiter direction. It is possible that he now comes into the public eye. Important agreements will be made; speeches or writings cause him to be talked about. If the preceding months were more of a preparatory nature, May 1940 will bring decisive changes and fulfilment. The prenatal Moon now stands in trine to the Sun. The aspect occurs in the fiery element and evokes actions of a creative nature in him. During this period Brüning will be awarded rare honours, and he will earn approbation in foreign countries (Sun in Sagittarius). His rise to a position of greatness is now assured.

About May 5 and 6 when Europe is the centre of vital political events, Brüning is under the influence of a trine between the transiting Uranus and the prenatal Jupiter. Unexpected happenings exercise a lively effect on the beliefs of this truly religious man, and a great deal which in the past had been obscure is now clarified for him. His destiny undergoes a scarcely expected change. Millions of Germans desirous of his leadership stretch out their hands to him. A real German must once again rule Germany, a man incapable of a regime of tyranny, who menaces neither friend nor enemy; a man who has close ties with humanity and with God. He will restore belief among those who feel themselves lost, and among those who are troubled; he will throw open the concentration camps and extend a hand to all those of goodwill.

On May 16, 1940, Jupiter is square to the progressive Sun, and Saturn is sextile to its radical position. These aims cannot be achieved in a day, and Brüning will have to go to work carefully. Calumnies and

attacks cannot be excluded, but he steels himself against all unreasoning and barbarous assaults. Towards the end of the month he again acquires an inward certainty, energy and a consciousness of duty allied to a spiritual strength that springs from methodical action. About May 29, 1940, Jupiter and Saturn are in sextile, while on May 30, Saturn and Mars are in trine. Brüning the thinker, has become Brüning the statesman.

It is interesting to note that in May 1940, Brüning's progressive Moon passes over Hitler's mid-Heaven. Hitler, surprised and beaten, sees that the man he drove away from the German people rises again; and he realises with horror that his follies and crimes have only been steps towards the restoration of the ex-Chancellor.

There are so many directions and transits in Brüning's horoscope during June 1940, that we have to content ourselves in dealing with a selected few of them. First, the prenatal Moon passes over its radical position: important changes; rise to prominence; change of home. The prenatal Moon is then in sextile to Uranus: Brüning gets into a revolutionary current which is, however, fundamentally evolutionary in character; important reforms around him and because of him; from all over the Reich and from all over the world come messages of sympathy, and he finds true friends who want to help him to build the new Germany. His belief in astrology becomes stronger. It is exceedingly interesting to see that the prenatal Moon in the horoscope of the Kaiser's Reich is in trine to Brüning's Uranus during June 1940. This interrelation of the two horoscopes clearly and significantly tells us of the changes that occur in the German Reich and of Brüning's efforts for the country he has regained.

Among the transits which become exact about June 1, 1940, Saturn trine the progressive Mercury is outstanding. With what high seriousness does this man go about his task! He collects all his energy to complete a work he had earlier started and repair in the spirit of deep concentration and self-discipline, the damage done by others. His word once given, he is as immovable as a rock, for the world must regain confidence in the German people who, under a barbaric regime, had shown themselves up in such a bad light.

Brüning realises that superhuman tasks are before him, but who else would be willing to help to reconstruct a Germany that has deteriorated morally and is economically ruined? Who else would be willing to help to give her back the status she deserves among the nations by reason of her poets, thinkers and great musicians? He will serve his fatherland, but he will also serve God and the common interests of Europe.

In the middle of June 1940, we find the Dragon's Head in trine to the mid-Heaven indicating a professional rise for Brüning. About June 27-29, 1940, Jupiter approaches a trine to Mars and a trine to Mercury. Now we can really speak of a triumph for his beliefs; immense spiritual strength flows into him and he wins the confidence of the entire world. A feeling of religious thankfulness comes over him; all his earlier doubts are dispelled and, if his people did not understand him before, they have had to learn through a bitter lesson. They will now realise his unique greatness.

In July and August 1940, Brüning's progressive as well as his prenatal Moon stand square to Hitler's Sun: the fighter Brüning shows himself. There are certain other aspects showing that some difficulties

have to be overcome and that he will be called upon to make far from easy decisions, but influences from Jupiter and the Sun flow so generously towards him that he will undoubtedly master all such situations. In September 1940, the progressive Moon passes over its radical position, while in October it is in trine to the Sun. Only a man with such cosmic forces behind him is able to lead a nation from darkness into light.

When Brüning again becomes Germany's leader, the world will know that the German people have come to themselves, and that the way to an understanding is once more open to the nations. Brüning's path had been difficult, and the tasks which now lie before him are almost superhuman, but the vision of a new fatherland, the dawn of a different Europe gives him strength to accomplish them. The dictator destroyed his country, but this man who is the servant of his people will reconstruct it. The politician Hitler falls and the statesman Brüning takes his place. He understands his people and loves them. May the people understand and love him too.

HITLER AND STALIN

Hiller a Bolshevik · Stalin a Fascist · Democracies Help Germany · England's Mission · Saviour of European Culture · Stalin's Decline · Striving for a New World Order · Purpose of Anti-religionism · Coming German Revolution · Stalin's Opportunism · Germany's Coming of Age · As a Democracy · Defeat of Communism · Counter-revolution in Russia · Russian Successes · Red Army Take Power · Stalin's opportunity · His Reforms

THE European of to-day has, either through ignorance or over-credulousness, been enticed into a life from which it is too late to escape although it involves him in considerable suffering and loss. He is helpless, and he is helpless because he must, if he values his life, smilingly countenance what is going on. He is, in fact, at the mercy of extortioners and bullies.

In the light of this, it would seem as if everything that we have for generations believed in and cherished is vanishing in the smoke and thunder from the canons of unrestrained intruders like Hitler and Stalin. Indeed, we are standing naked before a reality that is startling in its emptiness and terror. But we should have lived in vain if this were the end of all our dearly accumulated wisdom, if this were the end of our efforts to achieve perfection both in ourselves and in humanity. And it is a poor balance sheet we can show for everything we took pride in. Is it that we do not read this balance sheet aright or is it that we have merited it? Is it even that an Invisible

Power guides our hands when we fill in the credit and debit sides of life? We unhesitatingly say that there is such an Invisible Power which sees a purpose behind the injustices that cry out to Heaven, which sees sense behind the apparent senselessness and chaos in the Europe of our day. We cannot within the framework of this book attempt to unravel fully the tangled skein of European politics, but we can nevertheless go far enough to gain knowledge that brings hope with it.

Hitler was a riddle to many, but since the mask has fallen from him, he is no longer that. He is now vulnerable and now he must fall. Stalin, however, was not such a riddle even though he has recently become one, yet Time will provide us with the solution to the riddle of Stalin as well. Then he too will become vulnerable and then he too must fall. It is well known to those acquainted with psychic laws that a man is what he struggles most against. Hitler wanted to be a "a bulwark against Bolshevism" but, subconsciously, he is a Bolshevik. Thus he has to lead the way to Bolshevism. Stalin wanted to fight Fascism tooth and nail but he, subconsciously, is Fascist, and thus has to lead the way to Fascism in his own country. Hitler and Stalin regarded themselves as heroes when they decided upon "friendship for the welfare of their nations" but, in reality, they were the weak-willed instruments of long-suppressed instincts in their peoples which erupted in an hour of need and of impending danger.

Le Bon in his excellent book *The Psychology of the Masses*, proves how often in history the streams of the "collective unconscious" overflow and break through against their conscious will and against the will of their leaders, in actions which they will later be unable to render any conscious account of. The

average Russian is not a communist of the Stalinist brand. He is neither materialistic nor anti-religious but is, by nature, a mystic, while in the matter of his destiny, he is more of a fatalist than any other human being. A mask was forced on him and, under a terror the like of which the world has seldom or never seen, he surrendered. As modern psychology has it : the core of him has become submerged or become "unconscious." Thus the mask of Bolshevism henceforward enveloped this core. Every analyst knows what effects the influences forced into the "unconscious" stream exercise on our lives, and that these streams must one day overflow the merely superficial, be the mask even rigidly in place. This day has now arrived. Executions of a revolting kind show that these effects can no longer be held in check. The dictator is therefore faced with the alternatives either of going with these streams, which means abandoning the whole of his artificially constructed and Utopian conception of the world, or of retiring from the political situation which he has to thank for the joys of seeing so much bloodshed. Hitler is, for example, confronted with such alternatives and so is Stalin, yet we could expect nothing else but that these dictators would pursue their power-delusions, sacrifice their convictions and do just what they have for years fought against doing.

History is once again beating at the delusion that it is criminal to adopt a middle course when the hour of decision comes. But it is still for all the man pursuing a middle course who possesses objectivity and the power of judgment and is free of the errors of those who stand at opposite extremes, but are in reality far more like each other than they care to acknowledge. Thus the man who follows the middle course is an opponent of revolution. He is an evolutionary,

he ignores extremist slogans and is well aware that Time is on his side. This pursuit of a middle course and the avoidance of mass-delusions and mass-suggestions is what we term Democracy. It may not be possible to propagandise Democracy in the same way as it is possible to propagandise National Socialism or Communism where it is catch-phrases and slogans that matter but, nevertheless, such impermanent phenomena as Fascism and Communism are really round-about ways to Democracy. They serve the cause of Democracy by demonstrating the absurdity of the very ideas with which they seek to impede the progress of this democracy. It is when the opponents of democracy, standing as it were at either extreme, are destroyed by their own weakness, that the way will be open for a new order in Europe.

The average Russian as we said, is not affected at heart by the conception of bringing about a change in the world from without, and it is the same in Germany. The best Germans have, as a result of Goethe's overpowering influence, overcome exaggerated nationalism and the delusion that they are the superiors of other nations. The cosmic purpose of Germany's lapses both under the Kaiser and under Hitlerism, is to root out such delusions for all time, not by violence but by an exposure of their excesses.

Hitler and Stalin are representatives of the unfulfilled wish-dreams of their peoples ; wish-dreams that are indeed incapable of fulfilment. When there is a cessation of these wish-dreams through a grasping of the sober reality, then the "unconscious" of both peoples will turn towards other aims and will shake off their leaders for whom they will have no further use. And the process of recovery of these nations will be the business of the democratic countries, and the less they strive after compensation on the basis

of a new Versailles, the more harmoniously will balance in Europe be brought about. A more secure and consolidated Europe will emerge in which the democratic ideal and its representatives will come into the forefront.

Despite the reprehensible way in which they have manifested themselves, it is true to say that the revolutionary movements both in Germany and in Russia carry within them the germ of something that is pointing to the future. Their terrorism and brutalities are merely a phase in their development. It is not difficult to condemn and to criticise them for this, but it is difficult to understand the storms and stresses which they have themselves been passing through. England's task in the history of our times does not consist in revolutionary activity for she has no such tendencies in the run of her character. Her mission consists in fathering nations with extremist and revolutionary ideas, in insisting upon humanity and justice, and in curbing young and growing countries like Russia and Germany. It would be a sad thing for Europe if revolutionaries and aggressors were given a free hand. The unreliable masses may to-day be satisfied with Nazism in Germany or with Communism in Russia because these mass movements allow the individual to become the slave of his instincts, but when pockets and stomachs become empty in Berlin and Moscow, when strength has been wasted in blind fury and when the masses, stripped of their illusions look for support, it will be another story. They will probably cast their eyes towards this island with its stability and its well-founded system of government.

If England remains what she is, the culture of our times will be saved to outlive the struggle between Fascism and Bolshevism, to-day so much in the

foreground. And England, the saviour of European culture and civilisation, from the germs of Russian and German ideas will create a new world that will stand firmer than the world destroyed by the brutality of the dictators. The burden that her people might be called upon to bear may be heavy, but so long as they remain aware of this mission, their sacrifices would not have been in vain. Some who do not understand this may raise their voices against Mr. Chamberlain's leadership and against his conduct of the war. In the blindness of their party prejudices, they may hold him up as a capitalist or a Fascist in disguise. The answer to this is obviously that a humanitarian capitalist is far, far better than some power-hungry Communist whose ideals and aims have been born of a deep inferiority complex. Those who, shouting loudest, say one thing and mean another, will soon be silenced—and for ever, for the revolutionary may at present hold the stage but his day is done, and the day of the evolutionary is not far off.

The riddle of the relations between Hitler and Stalin, the years of their extreme enmity, their sudden decision to become friends and the subsequent cooling-off on both sides can only be analysed by psychology, but within the scope of this book, we can only consider such questions broadly. Hitler is a reaction from Stalin, that is to say Fascism is a reaction from Bolshevism. This polarity naturally had earlier beginnings, and thus Bolshevism is a reaction from the calamitous nationalism of the last decade, although it has not been able to rid Europe of this evil. It failed to do so because it lacked orderly measures and that spiritual greatness which could serve as the barrier to further reaction. Bol-

shevism created Fascism and Nationalism, and will itself finally end in Nationalism. The failure of the Russian experiment shows clear signs of this.

Now this experiment has also got its positive aspects so that we cannot conclude by saying that it was responsible for National Socialism. Both these world-conceptions which represent extremes of life and which have played so significant a part in European events, are the precursors of one of the greatest things of this century: the creation of a mean, a middle way, a synthesis, the creation of a Third Reich opposed to extremist forms of thought. In addition we must admit that the tension that has long existed between Fascism and Bolshevism has served as a connecting link with true democracy. Indeed, the worth of democracy has penetrated the consciousness of millions all over Europe and not least of all in those countries which, because of experiments, have been robbed of their true character.

Had it gone according to the wishes of Hitler and Stalin, they would never have come together by reason of their inflexible and one-sided convictions, but their two nations find themselves allied because of the "collective unconscious" of them both. Hitler found himself entangled in a situation in which he had to change his relationship with Stalin, and while the German people thought that he had fallen down, they forsook him and, following subconscious laws, forced him to the swing-over. The conflict in which every Nazi German sees himself is the conflict between his unconsciously and his consciously pursued aims in life; in other words between his true nature which is proving itself stronger than artificially imposed ideals. Bolshevism was thus "accepted" and made stronger by the very man who wanted to destroy it root and branch. The

"bulwark against Bolshevism" is no longer Hitler but the man who has stood aloof from such catch-phrases. I mean, of course, Mr. Chamberlain.

Hitler and Stalin represent two thought-forms which cannot exist without each other and, however they might set about it, they will always fall into each other's arms. It is a remarkable fact that extremists are notoriously susceptible to conversion. The example of Hitler and Stalin only goes to prove the artificiality of the conflict between them and the relationship implicit between their two systems, although they claimed to be at opposite ends of the pole. Decisions are in the end always taken by men like Chamberlain who avoid extremes, who follow a different path and who may stand alone but nevertheless stand firm. When two opposites like Hitler and Stalin are produced, a type such as Chamberlain arises, representing the wisest principles of statesmanship. Hitler grew great through his opposition to Stalin and Bolshevism. Stalin profited by this opposition. But it is Mr. Chamberlain who will ultimately manage them both. By this I do not only mean Chamberlain, the statesman, but also the form of government he stands for.

Birth dates were imperfectly recorded under the Tzarist regime so that it is really difficult to put up reliable horoscopes for the leading Russian politicians. However, so far as Stalin goes, I unhesitatingly put his rising sign down as Capricorn, and on this score I believe that the horoscope I have put up for him can be regarded as genuine, at least in its main points. Stalin is a typical representative of Saturn, accentuated by the Sun in Capricorn rising, and we only have to study his physiognomy to see this. The Sun now stands square to its modifier, Saturn. We

can imagine how weak at times is this man's confidence in himself, and how, out of this insufficiency, mighty ambitions and delusions of power grow to cover up inward uncertainty.

The Sun is in the twelfth house. The astrologer understands why there is such resistance to Stalin's drive for power and why a strong opposition steadily tries to undermine his position. These cosmic influences make it impossible for him to hold his high post for life. He will learn, through a gradual but inevitable break-up in his power, that he is not the idealist and leader of the people he believes himself to be ; and that there is, apart from materialistic conceptions, an Universal Law which his mind has been too limited to grasp. Trotsky, Napoleon and the Kaiser learned this lesson, and the self-willed fanatics of our day will also learn that human freedom is limited from above. Such critical remarks about Stalin's horoscope should not, however, be understood as prejudice. The astrologer knows that the representative of so decisive a world-conception is provided for in the cosmic plan of development and has his significance.

The Jupiter opposition Uranus tells us something of Stalin's mission : struggle for a new world, striving for a new order in the world, renunciation of all the world's traditional and cultural possessions.

Mankind's path does not run straight ; it often comes to a point by a circuitous route. Bolshevism's historic mission is to bring culture nearer the lower classes of people by causing a struggle against it and by persecution. The Universal Ruler, having seen how little the affirmation of culture has profited the masses, and knowing that they respond better to hatred than to love, now tries to gain the acceptance of culture by denying it. Thus nations are provoked

against the men and the things they ought to learn to understand, admire and love. And what a Pope failed to do : to create real religious feeling in the masses, will unwittingly be brought about by anti-Christians like Hitler and Stalin.

To-day, twenty years after the Russian Revolution, people can once again practise their religion. Here is overwhelming proof that the " collective unconscious " of the Russian people has proved stronger than the ideology that has artificially been forced upon them.

These then are an astrologer's reflections when he studies the Jupiter-Uranus opposition in Stalin's horoscope. Jupiter opposition Uranus : Stalin is a revolutionary : he is a maker of revolution, but why ? What he says about it and what history says about it is unimportant ; what is important is that revolution will train him and train those who have bound themselves to him. It is not the slogans leading to revolution that are decisive but the results that grow forcibly out of it and follow other paths than outlined in a programme. This is what matters. " Why were we makers of revolution ? " asked the first revolutionaries of themselves when, in accordance with natural laws, they were swallowed up by a succeeding revolution. The answer is that, even according to materialistic conceptions of history : revolutions like crocodiles, eat their offspring. How many well-known men have, at the end of their lives, returned to the beliefs of their fathers which they had abandoned during years of conflict. This does not only seem so ; it *is* so. They turn from early beliefs to fight against them which means learning, understanding and grasping so that these beliefs might later be consciously accepted. The surest way to promote a thing is to oppose it. This may

seem paradoxical, but the Universal Spirit knows these laws for human nature's development.

"Why were we makers of a revolution?" ask the "old guard" of themselves in Nazi Germany to-day. They imagined it was for Hitler and National Socialism, but it was, in reality, for Stalin and International Communism. There is something that future revolutionaries can learn from the psychology of the Guiding Hand of the Universe. The only fear is that when revolutionaries become psychologists, revolution will be done away with. There need, however, be no fear of this, for a knowledge of the Law of Evolution tells us that evolution steps in when revolution has been brought to a standstill. When the revolutionaries Hitler and Stalin, disappear from the world's stage, another starting point would have been reached for an evolutionary and democratic way of thought in Europe.

In my *Hitler's Last Year of Power* I stated that zodiacally Hitler and Stalin possessed the same Mars position. From this we conclude that they are both striving in the same direction. However, the locations of Mars (positions of the houses) are not the same in each case. This shows the different ways in which their like exertion of will is transposed into action. Stalin's Taurus-bound Mars stands in the third house and thus materialistic principles colour his thoughts. He is also a theorist who, because of Capricorn rising, is a seeker after reality in order to give his theories visible form (Sun in Capricorn trine Mars). Hitler's Mars is in the house of the public by reason of which his conceptions receive a materialistic, Marxist tendency (Taurus in the seventh house). His attitude towards materialism is not a matter of intellectual speculation with him as it is with Stalin,

but leads to an attack on the world. Hitler's Mars now receives a square from the elevated Saturn. With him there is an immense division between the world of realities and his will. Realities overcome his will, slowly but all the more lastingly for that.

In my Hitler book, I further stated that the conjunction of the Mars position of both these dictators makes mutual agreement more difficult. I stated this some time before the signature of the Russo-German Non-Aggression Pact and said also that the expected military alliance between the two would come to nothing, so long as Hitler and Stalin remained at the head of their respective countries. As I explained in a supplement to *Hitler's Last Year of Power*, I still stand by this prognostication for we cannot maintain that this non-aggression pact is an alliance between Hitler's Germany and Stalin's Russia. This pact has materialised because of the "collective unconscious" of both nations, because they were not instinctively aware of any of the enmity produced by their respective ideological facades. And it has materialised above Hitler's head and outside the scope of his judgment. An ideological superstructure may suppress the instincts of a people for a certain period, but for how long? We should be foolish or must have gaps in our knowledge of history to calculate on the victory of an ideology. The instincts of a nation have always been the deciding factor and will be so to the end of time.

If either of these dictators did not entirely shut out reason in the signing of this pact, it was Stalin. I am not an admirer of Stalin, and I would like to say that I charge him with the same political stupidity as I charge Hitler. In a certain sense Hitler and Stalin are the representatives of their peoples but, contrary to their beliefs, it was the people who made

them and not they the people. Both these nations were seeking ways out of difficult situations of an economic and political character. They looked for mouthpieces in their midst and found Lenin and Stalin, Hitler and Göring.

The difference between Hitler and Stalin does not finally lie in a difference between the nations they represent. The Russian and German nations are, politically speaking, the "minors" among the great powers, although we should not overlook the fact that the Russians "attained their majority" by going through a revolution unparalleled in their history. The results of this revolution could be talked away, but to do so would be to misjudge the signs of the times. We may be opponents of revolution but we must keep it in mind that this is a means whereby the Universal Ruler serves his ends when all other means have failed. Who would, for instance, deny that the French people only attained their majority after their Revolution which was far from being agreeable or humane in character? Indeed, it is this catastrophe they have to thank for their present standards. Germany is awaiting her Revolution, and Hitler who has often been erroneously compared to Napoleon can be regarded as the man whose regime has established the *raison d'être* of such a Revolution, for he is not a Napoleon trying to direct the orderly course of an existing revolutionary movement. Hitler stands on the eve of the German Revolution.

When Stalin allowed the signing of the Russo-German Non-Aggression Pact, he spoke as the symbol of a nation that has attained its majority and is striving after expansion. When Hitler allowed this pact to be signed, he was voicing the utter perplexity and desperation of a still politically minor nation, experimenting to avert a catastrophe into which they

had, in fact, walked with eyes open. There is a proverb which tells us that "to run away from danger is to run into it," and those who believe that Stalin is fighting for Hitlerism against the capitalism of the Western Democracies cannot understand that a word given in times of political metamorphosis is given only to divert attention from the real objectives. The *psyche* of the Russian people is certainly dissatisfied with Stalinism and oppose it, and the *rapprochement* with Germany is a sign of this. The Russian people, however, do not want to exchange Stalinism for Hitlerism. They simply desire some focal point around which the differences between extremes might be bridged.

Every event has to be judged from various standpoints but, from a political standpoint we can say that Stalin, by his friendship with Hitler, is pursuing the following aims :

1. causing a diversion from the chaos inside Russia.
2. redeeming tension in home affairs by successes in foreign policy.
3. disarming with friendship an opponent, who grew continually more powerful through hatred for his Communist adversary.

The world does not yet know the outcome of the Russo-German Non-Aggression Pact, but it is certain that Stalin's friendship is more dangerous for Hitler than his enmity. It was Stalin whom Hitler had to thank for his powerful-sounding claim that he was the "bulwark against Bolshevism," which brought him success both at home and abroad. Now he has himself broken down this bulwark and with it the wall that protected him. Of all his breaches of trust, this is perhaps the most flagrant. Thus he has

broken the very branch on which he was sitting, betrayed his friends both at home and abroad and gained a friend whom his instinct, when it was surer, told him threatened his downfall. Stalin is taking his chances. His rise is due to the man who once swore to destroy him. Hitler for years mobilised his forces to this end and even appealed to the world to support the struggle he had proclaimed against Bolshevism. But he had only mobilised against himself ; he was not the one appointed to destroy his world-enemy No. 1. He was appointed to mobilise for his own downfall. Already Stalin feels that he is the victor. *He* is now the "protector" of the Baltic States, and the outcome of this victory cannot be doubted.

Those who do not fall because of force, fall because of their own triumphs. How often has not this occurred ? Time is never on the side of those who change the world from without ; Time is always on the side of those who are in harmony with the Universal Spirit, whose way to the perfection of humanity is through evolution and not through revolution. "Out of the East comes the light." Millions of Germans are looking hopefully towards Russia whence they are expecting deliverance. It is no longer only the Communists, the "traitors of the people," who look towards Moscow. But perhaps even they are disappointed and feel themselves betrayed, although they console themselves by giving events a new meaning, which seems to be only partially justified. A whole nation now looks towards Moscow, but millions of them in fear and trembling for what may come. They had only become Nazis to keep out Bolshevism and, in consequence, the lesser evil leads to a greater. A nation is confused ; revolution is being prepared ; a nation is going to come of age.

It is slowly awaking from a sleep in the twilight of a fateful primitivism, and an old fanfare will resound with new clarity : "Germany Awake."

During the critical August days of 1939, Russia decided that there should be war in Europe ; Russia stood god-parent to this war, and Russia, in the spring of 1940, will also decide its outcome. She will bury the German war spirit but she will turn round into the flames of a civil war. At the end of a struggle for power in Germany, there will not be Bolshevism. There will be the spirit of true democracy.

Stalin's horoscope for 1940-41 shows the milestones along the road of his destiny. Just when the Russo-German non-Aggression Pact surprised the world, the transiting Jupiter in Stalin's horoscope approached the radical position of the Saturn. We come to feel what must have occurred in this man before he decided on such a step which, though politically wise, showed his partial weakness, for he could otherwise have dealt with a strong opponent by more honourable means. Closely considered, Stalin has lost more than he has gained by this pact. A Russia become imperialist has for the moment triumphed. She has gained new friends in Nazi circles but has lost her best friends the world over. Millions of her sincere followers have been completely confounded, and though Bolshevism may have established itself more firmly, Communism has sustained the greatest defeat in its history. Stalin may—if he covers up his programme—make Bolsheviks of the Nazis, but nobody will envy him their friendship. It will, however, always be in doubt whether he can ever again win the confidence of those who fought on his side for a noble Communism. From the cosmic point of view, this blow is deserved, for it will free these

noble Communists of an Utopian conception whose essential truths will one day be realised in quite a different manner. Though the Communist Party may throw out numerous slogans tinged with idealism, their ideals will not be realised, and other movements will lead men to a better world order.

Jupiter conjunction Saturn : belief (Jupiter) and doubts (Saturn) fight for the upper hand. The conjunction takes place in Aries. It was the question of a decision over personal power. During those August days, the transiting Neptune stood in exact opposition to Stalin's progressive Jupiter. What did this aspect mean ? All convictions (Jupiter) are shaken ; dissolution (Neptune) of all firmly established principles (Jupiter). "Antipathy towards orthodox dogma," says Else Parker of this aspect in her *Astrology and its Realisation in Life*. We can feel for the dogmatist Stalin. How awkward must this period have been for his dogmatism, but did he admit to his followers that life will never allow itself to be contained in a dogma, and that our lives must remain in an organic stream if we are not to become petrified ? Moscow had been petrified but the Life Stream proved too strong and flooded over such a senseless, one-sided conception of the world. Stalin permits himself to celebrate. He has made Russia greater. Truly, but what a sad triumph ! Better if Stalin had openly admitted the capitulation of his convictions. This capitulation, masked or otherwise, reveals to the psychologist the power of the "unconscious" over the maxims of a materialistic concept.

In my book on aspects I have written about Neptune opposition Jupiter as follows : "Realisation of errors in judgment ; danger of being driven to other extremes ; nothing is certain any longer. The native

of this aspect swims in a sea of opinions in which one cancels the other out ; the ground gives way under his feet ; what he does lacks any reasonable basis and, whatever reasons he advances, he advances because he is driven to them. He is erratic ; he entangles himself in contradictions and only resists anti-social instincts with difficulty." There is nothing more I can add to this analysis in the present case.

We will come to the horoscope of Soviet Russia later on, but we will here draw comparisons with Stalin's horoscope, so as to discover what was going on amongst the Russian people during the historic days of August 1939, because what the world then heard of was only a cover for what was really happening. First of all we notice that the transiting Uranus, which in this horoscope is responsible for the revolutionary tendency, was in square to the Moon, general symbol for the people. This tells of a surprising change among the people to which the government was forced to adjust itself, that there was a re-orientation of public opinion whose effects can only be estimated later on. We further notice the transiting Neptune square Mercury which alternated during these weeks of the State's constitution. This aspect corresponds to Stalin's Neptune position. Traditionally it denotes "deceitful manœuvres." Hitler's astrologers must be either bunglers or false counsellors, or they would otherwise have used their influence with him to different ends. He may be rejoicing at having taken in the world, and may not be clever enough to see yet that it is he who has been taken in.

In the horoscope of the U.S.S.R., Mercury passes through Sagittarius. On what psychological basis did those in power in Russia execute such a manœuvre ? We have already explained this in

regard to Stalin. The Bolshevikistic ideology is shaken; it is affected by the chaotic outlook in world affairs. Something new is being prepared in Russia. We cannot here go into the fundamentals of these psychological laws, but we state them briefly as follows: men—or nations—who see themselves face to face with a new situation, endeavour to yield to this new situation through a diversion, through a transference. The new situation, so long as it is only germinating, will not be perceived. Few Russians will, of course, have been conscious at the time that, since August 1939, they have in reality altered their course. This does not, however, exclude the possibility that those in power in Germany have fallen into the trap laid by this manoeuvre.

Among all the influences alternating at this time, the opposition of the progressive Sun to the progressive Jupiter, becoming exact in August 1939, is paramount. But its effect will extend over many years, chiefly because the opposition of the progressive Sun to the radical Jupiter will only be exact in the middle of 1942. The opposition occurs in a spiritual polarity, Gemini-Sagittarius, and in the houses which decide about the character and about relationship with the outside world. The Russian leaders who thought that the Soviet world aims were settled will have to look for something better. A significant break-up in their world-conception brings everything that had started to become static into a state of renewed fluidity. Thus false moves on the political chessboard will be made and the apparent solidity of the Russian form of state as a factor in the European balance will be undermined. Russia will be the centre-point of world interest in the coming years, but her actions will not always accord with the

generally accepted views of justice and balance, e.g., Finland.

In the Spring of 1940, the progressive Sun is in trine with Neptune signifying prosperity, but if Soviet Russia has up to then been something of a mystery, she will now become an insoluble riddle. There will be changes during March—May 1940 that could have hardly been imagined possible, and the U.S.S.R. will contribute to changes among her neighbour states. There are a number of specially interesting aspects which will be realised towards the end of March and the beginning of April. We will here quote a few of these which become exact on April 3. First, Uranus is square to its radical position telling of revolutionary movements and corresponding to those in the horoscopes of Germany, Austria, etc. The Russian leader will make a complete job of bolshevizing neighbouring states. The Bolsheviks will once again surprise the world with their tactics, and Hitler can then pathetically exclaim : "Have I not always called the Communists our misfortune ?" But even within the U.S.S.R. itself, counter-revolutionary movements will be disclosed and there will be general unrest. Stalin will more and more unequivocally try to win back ground lost at home by successes in foreign policy. During the same period, the trine of the progressive Moon to Uranus should become exact. Soviet Russia will know how to make the best use of revolutionary currents in other countries. She will again abandon her nationalist aims and sing the hymn of world brotherhood afresh. A very busy time for the propagandists of Marxism.

About April 3, 1940, Jupiter reaches a sextile to Uranus : territorial expansion ? Surprising changes through unforeseen action at home and abroad. Saturn stands in trine to Venus about March 21,

1940, affording Russia the opportunity of stabilising her economic affairs, and it will also be in trine to Mars about April 10 and 11, 1940. The Soviet government shows that it is strongly aware of its aims and will act resolutely. It will also make decisions of vital importance for the continuation of the war. If the Soviet government were well advised, it would now side openly with the Allies. The Red Army wins greater influence and power. About April 10, Jupiter and the Moon are in happy relationship : successful drive for expansion by the Russian people ; successes in foreign affairs. The trine of the Dragon's Head to Uranus which occurs about April 18, 1940, shows historic changes in and about Russia. Above all I should like to point out changes in world outlook relative to these dates in March and April, 1940.

It is of outstanding interest that the prenatal Moon in the horoscope of the U.S.S.R. passes over Hitler's Uranus in April 1940, showing clearly that the Soviets are not altogether without a hand in the sensational events in Germany and in Central Europe during that time (March—April). About May 4, 1940, Uranus is square to the Moon : repeated surprises and changes connected with events at home and abroad ; critical for the people ; deaths. May 16 and 17, 1940, Jupiter trine Venus : successful undertakings ; collaboration in peace negotiations. May 16, 1940, Saturn square Neptune : critical for those in power ; betrayals ; trickery ; confusion. May 27 and 28, 1940, Jupiter trine Mars : important decisions in foreign affairs ; news of successes. In June 1940, the progressive Moon reaches a sextile to its radical position : undertakings in the sphere of foreign affairs prove profitable ; Soviet Russia takes her chances during this period of revolutions in Europe.

During this month Uranus stands on the Descen-

dant from where it naturally throws an opposition to the Ascendant : events in enemy states will not be without danger for the Soviet government ; surprising attacks on the Soviet may break out : Stalin will have to show a capacity for accommodation if he does not wish to risk what he has won. In June and July, 1940, the progressive Moon will be in opposition to the progressive Mercury : serious diplomatic disagreements ; it is now Soviet Russia's attitude that can endanger European peace. The Soviet government would be well advised not to imagine themselves too powerful, for their hour is also coming.

Of the momentous aspects exact in the summer of 1940, we have selected the following : from August 1-7, Saturn and Jupiter will stand in square to Mercury and in opposition to the Sun. The famous conjunction of Saturn and Jupiter on August 8, 1940, will be specially critical for Soviet Russia, and this will be clearer when we point out that the conjunction occurs on the exact degree of Stalin's Mars. About that time Stalin's Mars afflicts the Uranus in the horoscope of the German Republic, while a number of other inter-related aspects brings us to the conclusion that events over Soviet Russia will be in the centre of public interest. The conflict with Bolshevism which Europe has long been preparing to resolve reaches a climax and threatens to have serious consequences, but it is to be hoped that the Bolsheviks have learned their lesson from Hitler's fate. It is a critical time for Stalin, both for his life (attempts on his life are to be feared) and for his power ; struggles for power in and over Soviet Russia ; attempts by the Soviets to Bolshevikise Germany, but these attempts will fail. The German people are by this time sick to death of parties with Utopian programmes and it seeks men who will not be swung from one extreme to another

by ideologies, men who are capable of offering the people some sort of backbone.

Soviet Russia also steers towards a revolution. The Soviets will not be able to prevent the formation of a democratic Europe. The Red Army will turn away more and more from Stalin's general line of policy and will finally take power in Russia. The day will thus come when Germany and Russia, "brothers at loggerheads," will find a way to each other in their common interest, without having to accomplish this by underground methods as happened in August, 1939.

Let us now return to Stalin, the representative of the new Russia and discuss his future. The autumn of 1939 brings many directions from the progressive as well as the prenatal Moon. We will only deal briefly with them since they will belong to the past by the time this book comes out. From September to November, 1939, a process of fermentation within Stalin is accomplished and marks one of the most significant periods of his life. Because of this all the opposites within him are united and take him a step forward. Mars soon makes him warlike and arrogant, while Saturn restrains him and makes him cautious and fearful again. On one occasion he goes too far; on another he remains the observer, awaiting the effects of his warlike (Mars) steps. Jupiter then renews his confidence and even gives him a feeling of religiousness and thanksgiving towards the Universal Ruler. Uranus drives him to remarkable reforms, while Neptune envelopes him in an impenetrable veil.

During March—May 1940, we find in his horoscope a number of aspects which show the important role he has to play in the political events of that year.

About March 30 and 31 we find Jupiter in trine to Mercury : Stalin gains extraordinary success by diplomatic methods ; the situation is ripe for the fulfilment of long-standing hopes. About April 16, Saturn is trine to the Moon : Stalin consolidates his power and exercises a great influence on the masses. About May 30, 1940, Saturn trine Uranus ; about May 31 Jupiter trine Moon : Stalin's popularity increases with success in foreign affairs ; he carries through important reforms and now endeavours to create a foundation for his earlier experiments. Were he wise, he would employ the synthesis between revolution and evolution which he now finds himself capable of and, were he to do so, he could make himself a statesman whose name would never be forgotten in history. About June 4, 1940, Saturn conjunction Neptune : secret machinations ; mysterious negotiations and agreements. About June 27 and 28, 1940, Jupiter trine Uranus ; June 30, Jupiter sextile the radical Jupiter and conjunction Neptune : Stalin surprises the world with his reforms during this period which will also bring him success.

We have already referred to difficult aspects in August 1940. To these we must add that Saturn, during the whole of the second half of August and up to September, stands on Stalin's Mars. It is to be hoped that this Mars will be checked, thus making it impossible for Stalin to plunge Europe into the blood-bath from which it seems to have escaped through Hitler's downfall. In May 1941, the progressive Mars is square to Uranus, while a number of other directions and transits in the Spring of 1940 reveal that Stalin's power is not that of an all-powerful god, and that revolutionary developments are far from being at an end.

Stalin, like Hitler is a rod of correction for his people. He is to-day as little a representative of the Russian spirit and the Russian characteristics as Hitler is of the German—at least as one understands the heritage of Goethe's Germany.

In one of Dostoevsky's most powerful works, his revolutionary novel *The Possessed*, these words occur : " Be assured that all who cease to understand their people and lose contact with them immediately lose the faith of their forefathers, and they will become atheists or agnostics." Here we have the key to the anti-Christianity of Hitler and Stalin. They lost the faith of their forefathers because they were without roots and because, being strangers among their people, did not understand them. In spite of this they arrogate to themselves the claim of being the representatives of their people.

Yet Hitler believes this as little of Stalin as Stalin believes it of him. Thus they stand on two different fronts—nearer to each other than they think—against truth and against that which in the long run neither the O.G.P.U. nor the Gestapo can do anything.

When Russia again breathes the spirit of Dostoevsky and Germany is again touched with the spirit of Goethe, the time for experiments that are alien to the people would have passed. New leaders would have grown out of the blood-soaked soil of their mother countries.

MUSSOLINI'S PART IN THE YEAR OF REVOLUTION: 1940-1941

Break in the Axis · Survives other Dictators · Territorial Gains · Broken Treaties · Loss of Prestige · Noteworthy Policy in Central Europe · Pressure on Neighbour States · Possible Conflict with Royal House · Horoscope of King Victor Emmanuel · War or Peace? · Mussolini's Future

"IN September 1939, when Hitler inclines to imprudent actions, Mussolini has the progressive Mars in conjunction with Jupiter. Serious decisions have to be taken, the Rome-Berlin Axis has to undergo the biggest test of its strength and it will not be able to stand the strain it was expected to stand."

Many people reading this prediction in my "*Hitler's Last Year of Power*" before the outbreak of war must, in the face of the frequent reiterations of friendship between Rome and Berlin, have thought that the wish was father to the thought. Two surprises for the German people and for the world came when, on the declaration of war, the Rome-Berlin Military Alliance remained ineffective and when Mussolini more than once proclaimed Italian neutrality. The disappointment which I predicted would come to Hitler in the person of the Duce has become a reality. Mussolini has recognised the importance of this moment and has profited by it in putting some distance between himself and a partner whose power he was beginning to feel uneasy about.

At the moment of writing in the Autumn of 1939, the situation for Mussolini seems something like this: Hitler has deserted the ground of their common ideology and has made enemies of the powers he wanted to win over for his struggle against Bolshevism. Even before the outbreak of war, this policy was proving a failure and thus there are only two possibilities now open to him: either to admit his mistake and to try and win the European powers over to a campaign against Bolshevism or, on the other hand, to fight on the side of Moscow imperialism against the "imperialism" of the Western Powers.

Mussolini has been awaiting this decision which had to come sooner or later. In any case, Italy will become the confederate of the Allies. Mussolini has no Saturn at the Zenith like Hitler. His efforts are not spasmodic as we know they are with everything Hitler says and does. Mussolini's leadership is more natural and more intelligible. He has Uranus at the Zenith. This makes him more of a genius and more adaptable, and will be the secret of his outlasting other dictators during the coming years of revolution. His part in the European power game in the near future will be significant, and he will give evidence of a diplomatic talent rare among dictators.

About March 3, 1940, Mussolini can benefit by an Uranus sextile Jupiter. The Duce will know how to use this to the best advantage. He will carry through important reforms and will reveal his farsightedness through his political decisions. He will be on good terms with other powers. He will become the intermediary for the warring parties in Europe and this will win territory for Italy without a struggle. About March 29, 1940, Mussolini's Jupiter is in square

to its radical position. This is probably connected with the events in Germany of about March 26. Mussolini should go to work carefully over claims to power and drive for expansion, for he will otherwise be the object of attack. Circumstances in Europe will cause him a temporary loss of prestige about this time. About March 16, 1940 (and a short time earlier as well), the Dragon's Head is square to Venus: termination of friendships and partnerships; critical for all the Duce's alliances.

About April 10, 1940, Jupiter stands square to Venus: this period during which it will not be possible to rely too much on Mussolini's alliances, will be specially painful to Germany. During March and April 1940, the Axis will really start cracking.

About April 23, 1940, Uranus passes over Neptune, and the Descendant, and is in a trine to its radical position. It is a great time for the head of the Italian government. He will occupy the centre of events because of his initiative, his brilliant ideas and because of important reforms. This aspect remains effective until May. There will be significant changes in his Cabinet. His policy in Central Europe will be worth keeping an eye on from March to May 1940, and he will have a hand in revolutionary movements in Austria. Great changes will come about in Central Europe through his support.

About May 5, 1940, Uranus reaches a Venus sextile: the Duce makes surprising and peculiar alliances; he takes an active part in European peace negotiations which in these days ripen into results. The critical position of his friend Hitler does not come as a surprise to him. About May 3, 1940, Saturn stands in square to Mercury, and about the 7th also in square to the Sun. Mussolini would be well advised not to be too presumptuous in his

struggles for power during this period. He will bring pressure to bear on other powers. Events in neighbour states should warn him to be prudent. A critical situation can bring Mussolini a surprisingly happy change. About May 11, 1940, the square of the Dragon's Head to Jupiter indicates a passing disappointment in foreign policy.

The critical days about June 11, 1940 are also highly significant for Mussolini. About June 10, a Jupiter square Mercury will bring him diplomatic difficulties; stirring news from neighbour states; deaths, etc. About June 12 and 13, Jupiter passes over a square to the Sun: difficult decisions in matters relating to foreign policy precipitate attempts at expansion. Mussolini will take advantage of the critical position in neighbour states; Germany can easily be presented with a bill for long years of friendship.

During May and June 1940, the prenatal Moon is square both to the Sun and to Mercury. It is not always going to be easy for Mussolini, and through an arrogant step he will meet with vigorous resistance both at home and abroad. A long suppressed conflict with the Royal house can easily break out. The Duce must control his passions in order to avoid a breach in his relations with the world around him, which he could never again make good.

In this connection, the horoscope of the Italian King is of interest. In 1940-1941, King Victor Emmanuel has to overcome a series of critical aspects, of which we will only mention the Uranus opposition Sun of March 29, 1940. He will have to face difficult decisions, and his health will also be affected. Outside events concerning European affairs and Hitler's

destiny shake the Italian monarch. His people now also face the question : war or peace ?

The Jupiter conjunction its radical position in August and September 1940 will be very favourable to the King. He will receive high honours and can rejoice over the extension of his territory.

Although Mussolini's fame has risen and fallen with the tides of fortune, when the curtain has dropped on Hitler's tragedy, the final chapter in Mussolini's destiny would not have yet started. It will not be for the last time that he will hold the world spellbound in horror, amazement or admiration.

BRITAIN AND THE EMPIRE AT WAR AND AFTER

Allied Victory in Middle of 1940 · Will there be Revolution in England? · Beneficial Reforms · Mr. Chamberlain's Triumph · Decisive Political Changes · Lord Halifax, Statesman

It is a pity that there are no reliable horoscopes for the mother country, or for the Empire. Nevertheless, this does not prevent astrologers from making accurate prognostications about Britain, for the astrologer who carefully studies the chief events of a period finds sufficient data on which to base his calculations. There is, for example, no difficulty in giving a clear answer to the question which to-day occupies the mind of every Briton: will the Allies win the war?

England's declaration of war on Germany provides us with a sure basis for making calculations about the future of the British Empire. In my chapter on "Hitler's War and its European Mission," I have already answered the complex questions involved here, but I would, however, like to supplement the prognostications given in that chapter.

It has been said that England chose the most favourable moment possible in the astrological respect for declaring war on Germany in 1914. I have not checked this statement, but I can assure everybody that England could have chosen no better

moment for her declaration of War on Germany in 1939.

As could have been foreseen from the very first moment from the war horoscope, everything has taken an excellent course. Adopting a completely misguided policy, the enemy has given the Allies the necessary time to make all their war preparations without being harassed. Even the fear which existed before the war that the aggressor would gain the advantage through a *blitzkrieg* has proved unfounded because of the absolute failure of Hitler's European policy. He has not only lost the initiative, but he has already lost the war. Nor will the flaring up of sudden warlike actions or peace manœuvres alter this. Hitler stands isolated, isolated in Europe and isolated in Germany. Those who are still his followers, are faithful neither to him nor his "ideals." They are driven to it by a fear of the reaction which they have to anticipate after seven years of Hitlerism.

This war will be won in the middle of 1940, and European peace will then enter upon a new stage.

The other question which occupies the mind of most Britons is : What will happen after this war ?

With the alarm bells ringing out in so many European countries, with the spirit of true revolution sweeping through the nations, can England remain unaffected ?

Even in quarters where words are carefully weighed, we hear a great deal to-day of coming revolution in England, sometimes fearfully, sometimes hopefully and sometimes prophetically. Since a revolution could be the outcome of a war such as the present one, we can discover the answer to this in the horoscope of England's declaration of war on Germany,

but should consider it as it affects (a) the mother country, and (b) the Empire.

Let us first, however, seek the likely causes of such a revolution. A nation with militaristic tendencies, like Germany, cannot easily grow as mellow as say the Austrians ; the revolutionary drive of a nation like France cannot easily be held in check, but England will always become more and more the country of evolution.

England cannot stand aloof from the revolutionary movements which will bring about changes in Europe during 1940-1941, and even England will have to set up new guiding principles, but there will be something natural in the character of this change, which will not come by force, but will follow in the natural course of events. Thus we can speak of a progress that has not been bought at the expense of human life or cultural possessions.

The British Empire cannot be destroyed, even by Hitler. The new world order of the coming years will none the less see decisive changes even within the Empire (India, Palestine, etc.), but these changes will not be the consequences of bloody revolution, but of negotiation which will weaken neither the prestige nor the power of England. That England adapts herself to the need of the times is the secret of her political strength and her greatness, and the guarantee of her success.

Remarkable changes in the organism of Great Britain are indicated during May and July 1940, and also in April and June 1941. In May 1940, Uranus in the war horoscope returns to its radical position (exact about the 11th and 12th). Important and unexpected events in Europe bring changes for England also. About May 14, Jupiter passes over the Moon, and about the 20th passes over Saturn.

While the first aspect is fortunate, the second will bring restrictions in dealings with neighbour states.

In July 1940 we can speak not only of the harmonious directions of the progressive Moon but also of a series of fortunate transits, especially of the Uranus trine Mars, which takes place about the 1st, and secondly of the Jupiter trine Sun taking place about the 4th. We shall doubtless hear of important changes during this period, not only in Europe, but in Great Britain as well. There are, in any case, no indications that these changes will have harmful effects within the Empire.

In April 1941, the Uranus-Mars trine repeats itself (about the 20th), and Jupiter passes the position of Uranus (about the 22nd). We can talk of a new epoch, we will hear of important reforms, and England's statesmen will be in the centre of European decisions.

In June 1941, we find Saturn on the position of Uranus. Questions regarding territory and economy are prominent in discussions, and it is not an always easy time for the leading statesmen but, in this connection, we would like to throw special light on the horoscopes of Mr. Chamberlain and Lord Halifax.

"I shall live to see the day when Hitlerism is destroyed." These prophetic words were uttered by the Prime Minister in declaring war on Germany. Göring ("I beg his pardon, Field Marshal Göring," as Mr. Churchill said) a few days later in a broadcast speech, answered the Prime Minister by saying that he had heard of Methuselah, but that even so, Mr. Chamberlain would never see the downfall of the Nazis. Mr. Chamberlain, however, knew what he was talking about. He has a life full of experience

behind him and a great triumph before him. On seeing the series of aspects promising success to Mr. Chamberlain during the coming months, the astrologer realises that it is also the Cosmic Law's will that the right and the truth shall prevail.

In January 1940, a period of success commences for the Prime Minister, during which misfortune only seldom occurs. At the beginning of the year the prenatal Moon passes over a trine to Venus. Mr. Chamberlain can safely state that everything is developing excellently. He will win many friends to Great Britain's cause, among them powers whose attitude up to that time was doubtful, and thus his popularity will grow wider.

At the end of January 1940, the prenatal Moon stands in trine to Uranus and, at the same time, the progressive Moon stands in trine to the progressive Jupiter. We can expect surprising moves from Mr. Chamberlain during these days, which may spontaneously turn a situation. There will be successes in foreign policy and, possibly, an important journey of a political nature. Contacts will be made which will prove favourable in their results. There will be efforts towards peace, and agreements with other countries which will bring gains.

The period towards the end of March and the beginning of April 1940, is also notable and decisive for Mr. Chamberlain. The progressive Mercury now reaches a trine to its radical position, and the transiting Jupiter passes (about April 4, 1940) its birth-position. There will be important diplomatic undertakings. Events in Nazi Germany prove that Mr. Chamberlain's way of thinking and acting has been right. His beliefs will be marvellously strengthened.

At the beginning of May 1940, Uranus stands in conjunction with the Moon (exact the 9th and 10th):

surprising changes ; a new chapter begins in the life of the Prime Minister. During June and July 1940, the influence of an opposition of the progressive Moon to the radical Uranus operates. August and September 1940 come under the same aspect of the progressive Uranus. There will be decisive changes ; revolutionary movements among the people ; separation from friends and colleagues and changes in the cabinet and in Parliament. Mr. Chamberlain feels that his mission has ended and considers resigning from public life.

About July 17, 1940, Saturn receives a sextile from Uranus. About July 28, 1940, the transiting Jupiter is similarly aspected. Mr. Chamberlain's actions lend an evolutionary character to a revolutionary movement, with brilliant results. There will also be important reforms in social spheres.

In August 1940, many European events will shake Mr. Chamberlain. On the other hand, the sextile of the progressive Moon to Venus tells us that, in spite of unbelievable happenings which have during the past months determined the fate of a world, he has not lost his sense of balance. He is more than ever convinced in a just settlement of all problems, and will more than ever become the representative of peace. Neville Chamberlain has been appointed by Providence to bring about a settlement in Europe, and in this he will succeed.

How the horoscope of the British Foreign Minister stands out from those of the usual politicians ! Cancer, sign of the emotions, rises in Lord Halifax's horoscope, and the birth-ruler, the Moon, stands in the watery sign Scorpio. Mars is in Pisces, and every note of aggression is missing, even though the Mars opposition Uranus allows us to conclude that there

is a limit to his humanity. Lord Halifax may be impelled by altruistic motives, but it would be foolish to mistake his kindness for weakness. The Sun in Aries at the Zenith shows Halifax, the fighter, for whom final victory is assured, since there is something natural in his fighting spirit. Where others use up their strength in senseless hates and furies, Lord Halifax knows how to employ his strength wisely, and this carries him straight to victory though, in the stress of things, victory might not seem immediately to be in sight.

The aspects in this statesman's horoscope confirm an Allied victory in the war against Hitlerism, especially the Sun-Mars direction which means struggle for more than a year, but also presages success.

In 1940, Jupiter passes through the house of profession. The Sun conjunction Jupiter in the early days of May is specially fortunate and shows that all the struggles and endeavours during the critical past have not been in vain. The passage of the transiting Saturn over the Sun in the middle of February 1940 is serious. It aggravates the situation and allows all kinds of fears to prevail. The Saturn transits of the end of March 1940 are not happy in every respect, but they represent milestones on the road to final victory.

About June 10, 1940, the trine between Saturn and Uranus will bring this successful politician the feeling that he has fulfilled his duty and served a cause which has steadied the progress of European culture.

The Moon square Sun in the Summer of 1940 (as is present in the Prime Minister's horoscope) may bring some difficulties in home affairs. The claims of a man who has succeeded in the war aims should not be overlooked in giving effect to the peace aims.

A radical course could easily sway the peace efforts of the present government in a critical fashion.

To realise that oppositions are the poles of an unity, and to find a middle way between these poles will now be the task of undisputed statesmen, and it is their names which will always be associated with this turning point in human history.

N.R.—I have already discussed the horoscopes of Mr. Eden and Mr. Churchill in my *Hiller's Last Year of Power*, indeed, I prophesied their inclusion in the Cabinet. I also dealt there with Mr. Hore Belisha. I therefore refer readers interested in their futures to that book.

WILL THERE BE A NEW VERSAILLES?

European Pacification · Restoration of Czecho-Slovakia and Poland · The Christian Ideal · Settlement Hindered by Revolutions · Versailles Treaty Examined · It Lives · Hitler's Lust for War · Chamberlain's Triumph · The Polish Tragedy · War Unavoidable · High Hopes for the Coming Cosmopolitanism

THOSE who are thinking of the future pacification of Europe in terms of a partitioning of Germany will find sympathy for their point of view. We can, however, see in this only an ostensible solution to a far from simple problem. Those who will be responsible for the future pacification of Europe must start with a different point of view. There is no need to conceal from ourselves that the work of pacification which follows at the end of a war should be considered just as arduous and just as complicated as the conduct of the war itself. Whether the peace bells will ring out only an armistice or the birth of a new Europe will depend upon the psychology of those sitting around the table at the coming Peace Conference, will depend upon their foresight and upon their sense of fair play.

At that conference table there will be no difference of opinion (the German delegation included) over such questions as the restoration of liberty to countries like Poland and Czechoslovakia, or the right of the Austrians to determine their own future.

The question of partitioning Germany into small states such as Prussia, Bavaria, etc., as will be demanded on many sides is, however, a far more difficult problem. The task that will be imposed upon Germany's present enemies will certainly be immense, for they will first of all have to bury a mistrust that might have become very real because of her repeated breaches of confidence.

We can agree with Mr. Duff Cooper when in an *Evening Standard* article he reaches the conclusion that there is something that is not quite right with the German people. They constantly find themselves in the same situation though under different circumstances ; they tolerate a government that tortures, lies and plunders and which, since it can see no other way out, frivously plunges the nation into a war, which stands as the worst crime of this century. Even so, is it wise to condemn this nation ?

What intelligent man, for example, would condemn a woman who has for years undergone the martyrdom of an unhappy marriage and who, because of her goodness of heart, did not possess the resolution to escape from the tyranny of a husband with violent and criminal tendencies ? And further, who would condemn this woman if, at the end of her tether after much sorrow and suffering, she did get away from her husband and then contracted another marriage which laid her open to the same martyrdom again ? A knowledgeable observer may conclude from the fate of such a woman that something in her make-up was not quite right, that the fault lay with her, that it perhaps lay in her incapacity to think practically, or perhaps lay even in her blameworthy goodness of heart. A person with no experience of the laws of life may shrug his shoulders over the case of a woman like this, but the psychiatrist would take pity on her

and use his knowledge to show her the way to the birth of a new life.

Repeated lapses on the part of Germany may appear puzzling to the Englishman who is politically well educated, but if his political sagacity went with an equal measure of psychological knowledge, he would discover a point in the mind of the German at which he could start off and, as a man of intelligence, would not shrink from showing even his enemy the way not to destruction but to self-knowledge and to self-mastery. Those who are wise never condemn, rather are they constrained to help.

Those who conquer by the sword only sharpen the weapons of their enemies and do not vanquish them ; those who conquer by the spirit and by love, disarm their enemies. It is easy to smile at these laws of life and to refer to bad experiences in the past, but to do so is not to understand either love or the spirit, to speak with disdain of the Christian doctrine and to allow the rules of life that Christ laid down to remain forgotten ; it is to justify the reproaches of the communist who says that Christianity is only a cloak for material interests.

Konrad Heiden, himself a German and a victim of Hitler's, speaks my mind when he says in his *Birth of the Third Reich* :

"Some Germans who have to-day become the victims of National Socialism, quarrel with their people. Men and women who unmistakeably come of German stock and conform to the characteristics of this race, pronounce sharp even the sharpest judgments not only upon the present regime, but also on the people who tolerate and endure it. Here is a basic error. A people does not possess definite characteristics, it is the sum total of potential characteristics. That the German people of to-day reveals sides of its nature we do not care for and, on the other hand, efface features dear to us, we must regard as our own fault.

The character of a people is not a gift of fate. It is the result of up-bringing, yes—this word accepted in the highest sense of political endeavour. Each generation which is the offspring of a people has the repeated task of making this people its offspring, the creature of its own designing and the symbol of its yearnings. He who stands in such a relationship to his people cannot be led astray by the mistakes of his offspring. It is because we love Germany that we fight for her."

The astrologer, better than any other enquirer, understands the sense of Heiden's words, and it is not for nothing that the Moon among the planets, according to an age-old wisdom handed down to us, represents the character of a people. The astrologer comprehends the riddle of mankind thus: the individual members of a people, so long as we consider them apart from the whole, can be noble, can be great, can be personalities but, so soon as they submerge their identity in the whole, then they can become commonplace and lacking in personality. Who has not had the experience of finding excellent qualities in a certain member of a family on meeting him alone, but of finding him intolerable on meeting him in the midst of his family where a collective spirit dominates his individuality? However, the dualism of human beings, their individual conscious and their "collective unconscious," is no longer secret knowledge and we must take this into account in judging such a problem.

When Germany is once again a people of individuals, when she wakes up from her mass-psychosis, she will surprise the world again by the spirituality of her actions just as she now outrages us with her barbarism.

Those keen-minded enough to see the present war as growing from the aftermath of the World War cannot—politically speaking—desire a new Versailles.

It is up to all the nations to show mutual trust and to ensure that the birth hour of a different Europe is not allowed to pass by when new leaders guarantee a new Germany. They will draw another kind of response from their people and nobody, either in the Reich or elsewhere, will ever understand how they lived, moved and had their being under Hitler.

What a blessing for the advancement of Europe it would be if this war left behind neither victor nor vanquished! Naturally Hitler and Hitlerism must first be crushed, indeed it will be crushed, and it will not only be the Allies who triumph over this Hitlerism but the German people themselves, who are their secret supporters. That Britain and France have not proclaimed the destruction of the enemy, but the liberation of a respected nation from the tyranny of a rule of force as one of their war aims, will go down to history. Thus the German people will not be able to feel that they are the losers of the war; thus there will be no conquered nation and lust for revenge; thus Europe can hope for an approaching period of peace.

The world knew nothing of impending war and had not even thought seriously about it when I was already referring to coming peace negotiations. Readers of my *Hitler's Last Year of Power* would have found on the last page of that book among the predictions to be dealt with in this present work, the forecast of a new Versailles in 1941. Before war was declared, these readers must have shaken their heads. A new Versailles? Was there to be another August 1914? Events have proved me right. I predicted with exactitude the German invasion of Poland, and the result was a new European War. I spoke of localised conflict and gave the opinion that a

full-scale World War would be averted. Here again I have been proved right by events.

The first edition of *Hitler's Last Year of Power* contained a regrettable error which occurred in the rush of getting the book printed and published within the shortest possible space of time. Instead of "there will be no World War," there appeared the words "there will be no war." This prediction was quite contrary to other predictions in the book, and I am gratified to see from letters I have received that many careful readers accepted it as an error. I stated in different places that there would be warlike events in 1939-1940, but also predicted that a World War of the kind to be expected because of the armed preparedness of the nations, would be averted through Hitler's downfall. Pages 116 and 117 read thus: "Will there be war? The beginning of warlike actions in Europe in 1940 cannot entirely be prevented, but these warlike actions will be localised and, before they can grow into a general world conflagration, they bring about Hitler's downfall and a completely new situation." My chapter entitled "This Fateful September" contains all the events which occurred in that historic month. Thus my view that war proper with all its final effects would not start until 1940 has been justified. The completely unexpected course of the first months of war has proved me right.

When I predicted a new Versailles, I did not mean that the war anticipated and predicted by me would lead to an absolute repetition of Versailles. I meant only that the historic happenings of 1939-1940 would lead to new Peace negotiations and to an adjustment of the Versailles Treaty; that is to say, would lead to the foundation of a new Europe. The World Conference that will sit in assembly at the end of

the war against Hitlerism will struggle for months to achieve this great work, but the revolutionary movements which will develop all over Europe at the end of the war will not be concluded in their main phases until the middle of 1941, and it is only then that Europe can once again slip back into the state of happy evolution from which Hitler snatched it.

Can the horoscope of the Versailles Peace Treaty of 28.6.19 tell us something about the fundamentals of the new Versailles? This horoscope is one of the most interesting in history. The sign of peace, Libra (the balances) rises, but the ruler Venus cannot be fully effective because of a conjunction with Saturn. And since Venus governs not only the life but also the "death" of this treaty, it had to overcome resistance, which had to bring changes in its destiny. Mercury and Jupiter in Cancer flank the mid-Heaven. The welfare of the nations is the aim of the treaty. Jupiter, ruler of the third house (treaties) stands in the mid-Heaven. The events of that day could not have been more characteristically expressed, and humane aims are also unmistakably in evidence. The difficulties which Saturn in the tenth house indicate, could in the course of time, have been removed by negotiation and new arrangements. Mercury in a harmonious conjunction with the exalted Jupiter would have allowed such modifications to take place in peaceful fashion.

The horoscope of the Peace Treaty has to be interpreted like that of a living being and, because of its progressions, it was capable of development. Indeed, we shall still see that it is. It should not be looked on as something fixed. The factors governing the alteration of existing clauses is an integral part of the life in the fundamental organism of the Treaty. It is not only Mercury which tells us this but also

the Moon, which rules the zenith and is strongly placed in the house of foreign countries. When we consider the marvellous aspectation of the ninth, house (Sun, Moon and Jupiter all in conjunction) we are reminded of the fruitful era of Briand and Stresemann which mirrored the aspirations of all true Europeans. Stresemann's was an extensive ninth house : politics and world outlook. He understood the signs of the times. His close Moon-Uranus conjunction fell on the Saturn of the Peace Treaty. In this we can see Stresemann's endeavours to tackle the difficulties which lay deep in the Treaty with courage (Moon-Uranus in Leo), and with marvellous intuitive qualities (Moon) paired with an idealistic vision of the future (Uranus). His unexpected death (Mars, ruler of the house of death square to the Saturn-Venus conjunction in the house of death) must be lamented by the German people as a national misfortune.

The German Chancellor, Dr. Brüning, who took Stresemann's place, also possessed that high spirit which was necessary for a policy of peaceful understanding (Brüning's Mercury in Sagittarius in trine to the Saturn of the Peace Treaty). Furthermore, there was high seriousness in Brüning's conception of his great task and an extraordinary consciousness of his responsibility, which was recognised abroad but which should have earned a better response (Brüning's Saturn in conjunction with the Sun in the horoscope of the Treaty). Brüning is not a reckless politician (his Mars stands in Virgo), but he follows his aims with endless patience (Saturn rising).

This slow process of development naturally led the impatient masses to Hitler who was attacking the Peace Treaty violently and promising them a better future overnight. Hitler's character lacks a sense

of the organic development of things. He wants to put his personal stamp on everything and was thus unable to see the capacity for growth which lay in the horoscope of the Versailles Treaty. He trampled ruthlessly on the delicate seedling which Stresemann had planted and which Brüning had nurtured, and the policy of understanding had thus to make way for the most violent policy that the recent history of the German Reich can show.

How impressively these symbols are mirrored in space! Hitler's revolutionary Uranus stands in conjunction with the Ascendant of the Peace horoscope. We can now even understand why Hitler could not possibly have done otherwise than he did. He had to detest this Peace Treaty. For him there is no evolution, no gradual growth out of complex conditions into a more peaceful state of things. He lacks "breeding," that gift for which there is no substitute. Either one has it or one has not got it. By this I mean heredity, which enables a human being patiently to allow things to unfold themselves. Hitler's childhood had been full of privations and he did not see in this a law of destiny (the Indians would say Karma). He only saw what others possessed and what he himself lacked, and he wanted to get them for himself by force if other means failed.

To psychopathy such psychopaths are known. They are eaten with fears that they will not succeed in time. "I am now fifty and I prefer a war at fifty to a war at fifty-five," said Hitler to Sir Nevile Henderson during the fateful days of August 1939, but he *wanted* a war! They are steadily driven on by the ambition gnawing at their souls. It is as if Satan (Saturn) keeps steadily whispering in their ears: "Hurry, hurry, it is drawing away from you."

They do not know a peaceful hour ; they do not know tranquility of mind nor the happiness which fulfilment brings and which comes gradually to us. Upon the realisation of one desire, they are immediately eaten up by a thousand new desires. They lack the strength to cut off the head of the serpent of desire.

Hitler had no understanding of the consequences of a lost war and would not wait until the moment of natural adjustment came, for he lacked the divine sense of understanding for life and its hidden, yet so obvious laws of growth. Hitler wanted to be the Creator himself, wanted to seize destiny by the forelock and to get through self-will what Divine Law seemed to forbid. His guilt lies in his blindness to the wonder of life, and thus he remains a warning example to us all. Destiny gives us what we are ripe for and that into which we are organically to develop. Destiny takes away from us what we grasp in our delusions. "Ripeness," said Shakespeare, "is all." Adolf Hitler did not want to grow mature ; he only wanted to simulate maturity, and he thus betrayed nature and the god in him, became the slave of his delusions which have let him climb as high as he has done so as to throw him down again, deep into an abyss.

"The 9th November must be treated as though it never existed," said Hitler, but to speak in this fashion is to cheat one's self about the law of development laid down by an Invisible Ruler.

"The Treaty of Versailles is the most infamous blot of all time and must be destroyed." He wants to remove from the world what he does not understand. If he thinks he has to fear a person, he kills him. There was Roehm, there was Gregor Strasser, there were Schleicher, von Fritsch and endless others. Why did they all have to die ? Because they might

all possibly have become spokesmen for adjustment. Why does he tear up the Treaty? Because the Treaty could be a danger to him since it demands peace and his nature demands war.

I have already said that the Treaty of Versailles is comparable to a living being, and we have seen that this living being might not have been perfect (few geniuses start as infant prodigies), but that what could have grown out of it might have been perfect. The names of Briand and Stresemann already testified to the capacity for perfection that lay in its cosmic inheritance, for their way of thinking grew out of the cosmic influences in the Treaty's horoscope. Hitler's "unconscious" feared these influences, and this is the true psychological reason for his detestation of the Treaty.

The Peace Treaty must be removed from the world just as General von Fritsch was removed, for both signified peace. In the same way he perceived instinctively the dangers of this Treaty, for by a slow process of development, a real peace might have flowered from it. And so it had to go; for this reason it had to be wiped from his memory. As though it were so simple! He keeps bringing up this Treaty, he has torn it up publicly a thousand times, nobody in the world is more obsessed with it than he is, yet in his thoughts and speeches it remains an indestructible reality. There must be something in this Treaty; there must be something special in it that prevents even Hitler from destroying it.

Perhaps there is something mysterious about it and, if this is so, can we discover what the mystery is? Occultists tell us that those who commit suicide cannot enter Nirvana, that they spend a short time in an in-between kingdom and have to be reborn in

order to continue from the point at which they themselves had interrupted their lives. This theory of the occultists will serve as an excellent simile in explaining the mystery of the Versailles Treaty which Hitler cannot destroy, try as he will. It is, so to say, living in an in-between kingdom, awaiting the day of its rebirth, and this day is drawing near. Adolf Hitler knows it and shouts aloud that Versailles is dead.

But Versailles is not dead. Then will there be a second Versailles? Is Versailles not dead? Not even Hitler could kill its spirit; it lives and it will be reborn. And is this to mean a repetition of all the old mistakes? Hitler believed in making his own arbitrary adjustments in the world and, before there can be further European progress, there must be re-adjustments of these adjustments because the Universal Law requires it thus. Only then can the growth of European peace, interrupted by the murderer of Europe, begin anew. Will there be a new Versailles? We answer no, but there will be a new phase of the old Versailles. This much can be foreseen through the veil that covers the events of 1940 and 1941.

I do not believe I have any capacity as a politician, but I believe that the astrologer through his cosmic insight, can contribute a great deal towards the advancement of humanity. The politician sees a part of the whole and he sees the present, while the astrologer sees the whole, and is not restricted by the Time-element. The astrologer writes history in advance. A politician, breathing the secure air of the present may smile at all this but, smile though he may, the astrologer could have little doubt that the observations following would be of unusual interest for him.

In the horoscope of the Versailles Treaty, we found

that Mars, ruler of the public was in the sign Gemini (treaties) in the ninth house (foreign countries). It is the unalterable destiny of this Treaty to become, from the first moment, the object of public attack. But these attacks are not made in the sense of questioning the necessity of the reality of the Treaty ; they had to be made in order to create a new basis for the discussion of the difficulties which revealed themselves as existing in it. (Mars sextile Saturn) There are big possibilities in the working of this Treaty for bringing about real peace (Venus sextile Mars, rulers of the first and seventh houses). The Treaty in itself could not be regarded as final, for it contained principles which showed through its purely superficial clauses. Hitler, however is incapable of perceiving half-tones and under-tones. He only sees what lies on the surface. We have only to take the fiasco of his policy with England to realise this, for never having grasped the real character of the English, because his knowledge of men stops at the surface, he allowed himself to be bluffed. Thus he saw only clauses, paragraphs and dictates in the Treaty ; he did not perceive the life that lay hidden within it.

When Hitler came back from the War, he was a little perplexed as to what was to become of him. His career as a painter had come to grief, and he could see no way out of a dilemma. He felt he was too weak to accomplish anything real in life. For him, the War should never have ceased. War ! That was something which meant that he need never assume responsibility for his own personal development. All he had to do was to obey, to seek adventure, to look out for enemies, to hate and to kill. Hitler saw only himself. He cared nothing for the wishes of others who wanted peace at any price. What could he do if there was peace ? Thus Novem-

ber 9, 1918 gave him a slogan : to retard the revolution and its effects. Here perhaps, was a task for the homecomer. He sank more and more into these thoughts, he grew with his desire and he went the way trodden by few human beings in history.

Hitler's Mars (his will) is in exact opposition to the Sun in the horoscope of the German Republic. How he undermined the power of the Republic and how he fought against its regime ! He struggled because the proper aim of his struggle against the Republic and against the Peace Treaty was to continue the War. Hitler's Moon stands exactly opposite to the Sun in the horoscope of the Treaty. The people must be made enraged against this Treaty and the powers who made it. In this respect Lenin was quite different. He allowed Brest-Litovsk to be signed, not as an historical but as an everyday event. "I shall never read this Treaty," he said smiling. Had he a sense of the natural fulfilment of history ? In 1939 Russia regains her lost provinces without a struggle and creates a completely new situation in the Baltic, while Hitler takes the chestnuts out of the fire for his worst enemy, Stalin.

Hitler's Uranus stands opposed to the Jupiter in the horoscope of the Treaty. The legality of this Treaty has to be shattered ; all the clauses in it must be cancelled by force. Hitler's Mercury is square to the Mercury in the horoscope of the Treaty. Could there be a more typical symbolism for Hitler's unceasing war of words against the Treaty ? When Hitler, in violation of the Treaty, created a new German Army on March 16, 1935, his progressive Moon was in opposition to the Uranus in the horoscope of the Treaty. An important phase had been reached but the significance of these signs needs explanation.

Hitler's Moon on the one hand represents his relationship to the people and, on the other hand, his relationship with foreign countries (co-ruler of the ninth house). With this action Hitler revolutionised the world and his own people. Jupiter approached a square to Saturn in the horoscope of the Treaty. The policy of peaceful understanding had ended. Mars is hostile to Jupiter : might versus right : a new Army against the Peace of the World. On March 7, 1936, German troops marched into the Rhineland. Another clause of Versailles had gone by the board. Hitler's prenatal Moon passed the Descendant in the horoscope of the Treaty and also stood in opposition to the Ascendant in it : a blow at its life. Jupiter in the Treaty's horoscope was passing an opposition to Mars. (A year previously, at the creation of the Army, Mars stood hostile to Jupiter). Jupiter moved through the third house : warlike attacks on the anticipated peaceable and humane development of the Treaty's horoscope.

The astrologer, studying these cosmic influences ought, perhaps, to get a feeling of tragedy over such violent attacks on a work of peace. That it is not so is simply because he is convinced of the cosmic necessity of such outrages. On January 30, 1937, four years after Hitler's seizure of power, followed his "solemn withdrawal" of the German signature from the Treaty of Versailles. Hitler's progressive Moon had just passed over a square to Mars in the horoscope of the Treaty : Hitler stirred up his people afresh though every sensible man kept thinking that this could not be the way of pacifying Europe. In the horoscope of the Treaty, the Dragon's Head was passing over an opposition of Mars : crisis developing for the policy of European understanding ; the storm-clouds were gathering.

It is interesting to note that about this time the progressive Sun was in conjunction with the radical Jupiter. Jupiter in this horoscope is ruler of the third house which signifies treaties and signatures. Hitler's "solemn" act (Jupiter) is thus brilliantly symbolised by this aspect. It must not, however, be overlooked that the progressive Mars at the same time approached the Sun, thus characterising the violence and daring of the act. Mars, the ruler of open enemies of the Peace Treaty is in Gemini in the ninth house. Hitler the talkative, could not be more expressively symbolised than by this aspect. Altogether, this "Aries," hostile to the Treaty is characteristic enough of the Prussian spirit, so notoriously associated with it.

When Hitler showed his lust for aggression over the Sudeten question (though he pretended he really cared about "protecting" his German brothers), the progressive Sun had reached the zenith in the horoscope of the Treaty and passed over the exact radical position of the Mercury. Here Mercury rules as the symbol of all verbal and written agreements and, above all, as the symbol of foreign countries (the Mercury sign Gemini in the ninth house). This period of European history is associated with Munich and its events—such as the sensational journeyings of Europe's statesmen, their agreements, treaties, etc., and is mirrored particularly by this exact Mercury direction so that, despite Hitler's repeated burial of the Peace Treaty, the effect on its horoscope is beyond doubt.

The conjunction of the progressive Mars and the radical Sun (which we have mentioned), already effective in 1937, reached a climax during the September Crisis of 1938, and is a magnificent expression of now familiar events. The aspect occurred in Cancer

and took effect in the ninth house. Hitler with his Mars-spirit was struggling over foreign territory and the war-god raged over Europe. But this aspect was checked by a strongly placed Moon in its own house ruling the Mars direction in Cancer. Even if we were unaware of how positively Mr. Chamberlain stands towards the Peace Treaty, it is hardly to be doubted that in the Prime Minister we should see a personification of this Moon.

What would have happened to Europe if England had been pursuing a policy other than that laid down by Mr. Chamberlain? In other words, what would have happened to Europe if Hitler had succeeded in unloosing war earlier on? Hitler and Ribbentrop, Mr. Churchill's "twin contortionists" and the murderers of Europe to-day, bitterly admit how dangerous Mr. Chamberlain's policy has been for them. They were so sure, they thought they would take the fullest advantage of the Prime Minister's overpowering humanity in the pursuit of their egotistic and imperialist aims. A different policy, such as the one demanded by the Opposition in the House for example, would not have succeeded in taming Hitler any more, and would not let him make the gross errors which are now taking him to his inevitable downfall. Chamberlain's weapon was his humanity. Hitler would sooner have defied him with the clash of swords than brave his humanity, the very quality that is foreign to a nature such as his.

Mr. Chamberlain's Uranus is in conjunction with the Moon in the horoscope of the Treaty. Again a magnificent symbolism and, as though this were not enough, the Uranus in the Treaty's horoscope is on Mr. Chamberlain's Ascendant. Only the ones versed in the ancient science of astrology could understand

what this means, but we will satisfy those who are not by asserting once again that Mr. Chamberlain is among the chosen.

Democracy, not only in its political but also in its spiritual sense must triumph over the idea of force, for victory in war is not perhaps so great an accomplishment as a victory for the spirit of real democracy. The hands of the clock will point to a new hour in the destiny of Europe ; the spirit of a new age (the Aquarian Age) is breaking, and it is thus that the invisible Ruler has chosen Neville Chamberlain to be Hitler's *vis-a-vis*, and Hitler, not solely because of his hesitations in this war, is already admitting that his *vis-a-vis* has beaten him. This could have been achieved by no one else ; Hitler may turn where he will but his ensign droops while the flag of democracy is unfurling itself. The power of the sword is coming to its end ; the power of the heart (or shall we call it the power of love of fellow man ?) is conquering the world.

When the Munich Agreement was signed on September 29, 1938, Saturn in Aries was square to the Moon in the horoscope of the Treaty. Chamberlain (Saturn) checked (square) Hitler's lust for aggression (Aries). Naturally this fateful aspect represented a national misfortune for the Czech people, but the countries now menaced by dictators need not despair. (Incidentally it may be remarked that the Czech people carry typical characteristics of the Moon-Cancer symbolism). The Moon (the national conscience) in the horoscope of Versailles stands in a very favourable position and, of special note, it stands in Cancer, that is to say in its own house. It is also in conjunction with the Sun, and best of all, it is in magnificent conjunction with the exalted Jupiter. This treaty contains all the poten-

tialities for showing justice (Jupiter) to nations and, though this might not have been possible at the start, it could have been developed by degrees. Nevertheless, this process of development and growth, interrupted by Hitler, can be regarded as a period of waiting during which people can begin to discuss, not the Treaty's destruction, but its development.

Among the transits in the Treaty's horoscope on the day of the Munich negotiations, we even find Jupiter in trine to Mars. This indeed signifies expansion (Jupiter) for its opponents (Mars, ruler of the seventh house), but it also signifies decisions and adjustments on the other hand (Jupiter ruler of the third house), which must be regarded as fortunate in the long run because of the Jupiter.

Among the aspects showing in Mr. Chamberlain's horoscope at Munich, Saturn occupied the chief position, being in trine to Mars. How this answers those who reproach him by saying that he had confidently and lightly made a treaty with a man who was struggling to undermine order in Europe, and who did not for a moment contemplate fulfilling the obligations he had entered into.

But the astrologer cannot be deceived. Saturn trine Mars : we must contemplate this cosmic vibration for a while before we are able to perceive its greatness. Saturn and Mars in happy combination : seriousness and will power : consciousness of responsibility and the will to stand firm ; consciousness of aim and fighting spirit. The result of this combination is also an increasing energy, and yet at the same time, a self-discipline to which the greatness of the aim in view constrains one. This aspect enables one to concentrate all one's strength with an iron-like tenacity and courage so that there will be no shrinking back from sacrifice, so that any approaching danger

can be averted. Did Mr. Chamberlain, impelled by such influences, make three flights to Germany because of the weakness of his policy? Has not the path of sacrifice been altogether one of the most heroic actions in recent history? It was not without an objective, and it was not without a plan that he faced Hitler about whom he had no illusions. That he, nevertheless, struck an atmosphere of peaceful settlement is a sign of his greatness, and also a striking proof of the way in which the Saturn-trine-Mars aspect operates.

Saturn trine Mars : this is what we might call a long-term policy. Mr. Chamberlain came home from Munich with a non-Aggression Pact, but the Saturn drove him on more strongly than ever to ensure the country's security by further re-armament. He, not Hitler, had won a great battle, but he also wanted to win the other battle that might one day come. Thus on September 3, 1939, even Mr. Chamberlain's grimdest opponent must clearly have realised who had carried the day in Munich during that September in the previous year.

The horoscope of the Anglo-German Peace Declaration of September 29, 1938 shows clearly enough that Mr. Chamberlain had no illusions. The opposition between Venus and Uranus explains the break-down of the Munich Agreement. Even so, Chamberlain had, by this declaration, demonstrated to the entire world England's will for peace, and thus it is going to be accepted before the inexorable tribunal of world history. Thus also that victory of his over self will once and for all be justified.

"Hitler's troops march into Bohemia and Moravia!" This is a black day in the history of

the Treaty of Versailles. In what manner is this blow against law and order mirrored in the Treaty's horoscope? I called this a black day, and the aspects then operating justify this description. Saturn on the descendant stood in opposition to the rising degree of Libra, the sign of peace and equilibrium. The unique significance of this menace to European peace could not be better symbolised. In addition, Uranus from the cusp of the house of death threw a sextile to the Moon, ruler of the zenith. Thus the surprising changes in the whole European situation since this event are more easily understandable. To all intents and purposes, war began on that day, and this is clearly apparent from the aspect of the prenatal Moon with Mars which occurred at that time.

In Mr. Chamberlain's horoscope, Saturn at passing was over a trine to its radical position at the Zenith. The Prime Minister stood firm in his decision to prevent further acts of aggression. He became as hard as steel though, because of his rising sign Pisces, he appeared to be smooth and adaptable. It was as though a coat of mail had been forged round his sensitive nature. And thus he went forward with his task, the conclusion of which will find its place among the great things in history.

The big crisis of the summer of 1939 then came. Hitler's power-machine provoked a conflict with Poland. The murderers of Europe felt uncommonly sure of themselves when they occupied Danzig and fell upon that country. The conduct of the war against Poland was such that we, contemporary observers, had to shut our eyes so as to prevent ourselves from discovering exactly what had come to pass in our times. (Incidentally it is interesting that a film about the Polish War so revolted people in one German cinema that they went out during its show-

ing. Since this film had the effect contrary to the one intended, it was later withdrawn.) The war against Poland is far from being an honourable page in the life story of Adolf Hitler, nor did it add any lustre to Goebbels' propaganda. Both of them are hemmed in by their own methods, but things are no longer going according to plan, while neither of them possesses either the ingenuity or greatness to invent anything new.

During the last few days of August 1939, Uranus was square to Venus in the horoscope of the Versailles Treaty. Venus, ruler of Libra is the birth-ruler of this horoscope. Thus the new blow and the change in everything is understandable. Mars stood at the nadir of the horoscope in opposition to the mid-Heaven and to Mercury, ruler of all agreements with foreign countries (Gemini in the ninth house). The aims of the nations (Cancer at the Zenith) that had made the Versailles Treaty thus suffered a heavy blow. But Jupiter is in trine with Neptune: the powers in Europe which struggle for justice and also for peace come to the aid of the threatened nations so as to stop the rot and to restore order in Europe once again.

The progressive Sun was still standing in a conjunction with the radical Sun. It was impossible to avoid this war. The prenatal Moon had reached the Ascendant in the horoscope of the Treaty and stood from here in a square to the prenatal Jupiter. The start of a new order in Europe is, however, clearly indicated by these symbols. The war should have struck at order and justice, but it is ultimately going to strike at the aggressors themselves.

Among the aspects in the Treaty's horoscope which were operating on the day of the Franco-British declaration of war on Germany, the transiting

Dragon's Head was in trine to Uranus. The Dragon's Head was in Scorpio, sign of conflict, and was in the first house of the horoscope. Here again we have a further indication of a new phase of the Versailles Treaty, but not—as the originators of this war thought—its death, even though Mercury happened to pass over the radical position of Saturn.

Those of us who believe in a purpose in life and in the progress of mankind should not allow ourselves to become sorrowful over the events of these days, even if they seem to show that all the endeavours of men are in vain if the Universal Law wills otherwise. Meanwhile, we are learning to look forward, and neither the past nor the present should cause us anxiety. Sense is to be found in nonsense, progress in apparent retrogression and we can believe in the future and rebirth of Europe; we can believe in a better life for each one of us, and we can believe in greater harmony between man and man and between nation and nation.

It may well be asked why it is that the astrologer is convinced of these things and how it is that he is led to believe in them. The answer is that it is more than belief, it is knowledge, the knowledge that comes from a thousand unmistakable signs in the heavens. And thus in the midst of general agitation, though his point of view may seem unusual, his belief remains unshaken. But he also wishes to share this knowledge with his readers and to tell them that he is in the happy position of having discovered many aspects promising well for the future.

In 1941-1942 the progressive Sun in the horoscope of the Versailles Treaty comes into conjunction with the progressive Jupiter, but the results of this richly benevolent influence will already have become notice-

able in the second half of 1940, even though it will not be fully effective until a year later. This direction achieves an altogether different effect to the Sun conjunction radical Jupiter of which we have already spoken. The Sun, still in Cancer, rules the Zenith in the progressive horoscope and Jupiter the house of possession. Thus an understanding between nations over matters of possession is denoted. Topics of controversy in the Versailles Treaty can be smoothed over. The current of complex European problems flows quietly along. The process of ferment, symptomatic of war and revolution is overcome, and an unending desire for peace spreads throughout the nations.

During this epoch, questions of world outlook stand again in the foreground of public interest; real religion flourishes, and it will not be possible to understand how nationalism had previously been glorified as an ideal in so many countries. It is not that a harvest-time breaks out for so-called internationalism; real cosmopolitanism will be born and will grow. It is nevertheless to be hoped that cosmopolitanism will not degenerate into a mere slogan like nationalism or internationalism for, if this happened, it would mean the burial of a true ideal. The astrologer's conception of cosmopolitanism may be different to that of the politician's. He stresses the cosmic side of this concept and understands by it a policy which does not concern itself only with temporal interests and, above all, bears a relationship to the cosmic point of view. In another book I intend to go deeply into these questions and hope that a new art of living may derive from my discussion of them.

The present war is characterised by the conjunction

of the progressive Mars with the Sun in the horoscope of the Treaty. We are also able to see from a sextile of the progressive Saturn to Mars that responsible forces, aware of this responsibility are keeping the "Mars" in check. The war will not become the world catastrophe it could and should become according to the commonly held view. Even the irresponsible aggressor will time and again shrink back from actions which he delights to conjure up in his fantasy. He will linger and seek other ways out—if there are other ways out. Once he knows he is lost, it will be a misfortune if he strikes out blindly and cannot be controlled ; but even then this war will not take the form that is generally feared, for Hitler will have the "flag of blood" * torn from his hands before he really drenches it in the blood of us all.

At the end of November 1939, the progressive Moon passed over a square with Pluto. I had already written about the effects of this. I had said that nations would be greatly shaken by world events and that monstrous crimes would become known. Since predicting this the Nazi Mine War began. I had also written that revolutionary movements would spread, that many rumours would be in the air in surrounding countries, and that there would be signs of chaos in Nazi Germany. The newspaper accounts of disagreements between the generals and the Nazi leaders have proved me right in this also.

It is obviously impossible to discuss all the aspects which we can calculate in the horoscope of the

* The "flag of blood" was the flag carried by the Nazis in their abortive *putsch* of 1923. It is a sacred symbol to them and is used in the consecration of other flags and in Nazi ceremonials. We all know that only a few unimportant members of the Party fell on the day of that first Munich *putsch* so that the term "flag of blood" seems in reality a somewhat colourful exaggeration.

Versailles Treaty, but we give in the next chapter some of the more important of these as they follow in consecutive months. It should be noted here that influences for certain months might make themselves felt somewhat earlier or later than stated, and the same applies also to influences for given days.

II

THE DESTINY OF VERSAILLES : 1940

Secret Peace Manoeuvres · Hitler's Extremism · Great Military Activity · Severe Fighting · Increasing German Unrest · Possible Nazi Successes · March of Violence Halted · Dictators at Loggerheads · Starling Diplomatic Activity · Dawn of Peace · Revolutionary Movements Everywhere · Civil War in Germany

IN September 1939 the prenatal Moon in the horoscope of the Versailles Treaty reaches the Ascendant and is at the same time square to Jupiter, denoting a new phase in the fateful course of this Treaty. In the middle of November 1939 the progressive Moon stands square to the Sun, while in December 1939 the prenatal Moon reaches a square to its radical position. *A critical time for peace. The Treaty and the war aims of this new conflict come into the forefront of all debate (the Moon and the Sun rule the zenith), *It is bound to be a specially anxious time for smaller European states with exits to the sea (Sun and Moon in Cancer), and menaced by authoritarian countries. There will be much anxiety among many European nations causing the spread of revolutionary movements. The peoples of Europe have one of the saddest Christmases in their two thousand-year-old history, and the bells that ring

*[Publisher's Note.—*The manuscript containing the above predictions was in our hands before the Russian invasion of Finland.*]

out the old year and ring in the new have a melancholy sound. But those who listen carefully hear in their chimes, above the thunder of the cannonade, the chimes of peace.

January 1940

In this month the progressive Moon receives a trine from Neptune. In considering this aspect, we have to take into account that the progressive Moon has, since July 1939, been in Aries. The crisis which then started and led up to war makes it clear that this war is nothing more than an event which occurs in the horoscope of the Versailles Treaty and that it is—paradoxical as it may sound—a phase of the Treaty. (The two-year Aries period beginning in the summer of 1939 has to balance a dualism that exists in the organism of the Treaty). The meaning of this Treaty has to be understood by all the parties concerned in it, especially the German people who have to learn what it implies. Numbers of them have allowed themselves to be persuaded by Hitler that Germany did not lose the World War, and that only unexpected revolution cheated the victor of his laurels. The new war has to demonstrate the truth to the post-war generation by new experiences, and has to correct the false representations of happenings since 1918. For this purpose, events that have fallen into oblivion and people who have been forgotten will rise into prominence again. The Kaiser's exile stands in the glare of public interest. President Wilson's Fourteen Points haunt us again during this period as though they had only been heard of for the first time the day before yesterday. This is a matter of psychology.

In June 1940 the Versailles Treaty will be twenty-

one years old. Uranus has passed through a quarter of the zodiac. At this age the human being attains majority ; he shuts out the confusions of youth with its instability of aims, and must show what part he intends to play in life. Many people at this moment undergo change, and the outside world believes that a new spirit has entered into them. It is very similar with the Treaty. From 1940—its twenty-first year—the outlines of Europe will change.

We are mistaken if we believe that the effects of the Peace Treaty are going to fade away ; we are merely entering a new phase in its history. During its Aries period (1938-1941), the Treaty will show its proper significance and its true face.

Moon trine Neptune (January 1940) : many things happen from which the public are excluded and they bring hope of near peace ; secret contacts are made (reports of Göring's agents making secret contact abroad) and people will learn to understand the meaning of true democracy. The belief in right and in a just balance grows : everywhere signs of hope, signs of change.

Middle of January, Saturn in trine to its radical position : the megalomaniac and power-hungry dictators (Saturn in Leo) can be checked. Nature of war aims becomes clearer ; all European events take a more definite shape.

About January 30 (day of Hitler's seizure of power), Jupiter square Sun and, two days later, square Pluto : perhaps Hitler in a Reichstag speech will again attack the Peace Treaty and pathetically cry : "No second Versailles." Perhaps he will violate the Treaty once more and make speeches or act in a manner that mocks at justice. But we need not trouble ourselves further over him. He was sen-

tenced a long time ago. He will be judged firstly by the story of his life and finally by world history.

February 1940

The middle of this month brings important events but still no decisions. Among outstanding transits the Dragon's Head is in trine to Mars: immense activity to achieve results; important military operations; small states are in danger (Mars in Gemini). Hitler (in whose horoscope Jupiter at this time stands square to its radical position) will again act in a fashion which makes a mockery of justice. No one should be disquieted if, on account of the recklessness of his attacks, he can talk about "successes". Remember the Pyrrhic victories of the Master of Doorn.

About February 19-22, Saturn trine to the progressive Saturn and, at the same time, square to the progressive Jupiter. There will be severe fighting; big sacrifices will have to be made and some will doubt the balance of justice on earth. They should look straight ahead, for the present, so often understandable is made clear by the not distant future. Barbarism may rob civilized human beings of everything but their faith and their knowledge of the Universal Law. They will rise again and again as though nothing has affected them.

March 1940

About the middle of the month, Jupiter square Moon. Nations will be stirred up by the spread of violence. Unrest in Nazi Germany. Incomprehensible chaos and actions against those who struggle for freedom. Final effort to make European peace impossible through brutality and the extreme will to destruction.

Towards the end of the month, Jupiter passes the Descendant of the horoscope and by reason of this stands in opposition to the Ascendant : important events in countries with authoritarian governments ; a new stage in the development of the Versailles Treaty. Mars now also plays an important part : changes in European countries will provide the foundation stone for the coming understanding.

April 1940

About April 8, Jupiter trine Venus : peace talks and greater willingness towards understanding. Contacts will be made which give hope for the future.

About April 13, Jupiter square Jupiter radical : the spread of violence will be arrested. The Allies would be well advised to be cautious in regard to intermediaries. Trickery is not to be excluded ; mutual accusations and calumnies.

About April 17, Jupiter sextile Mars : military action by the Nazis for which success is claimed. Germany's neighbour states must be on their guard.

About April 20 and 21, Jupiter square Mercury : startling diplomatic activity ; untrue assertions ; Goebbels spins his web of lies ; we must beware of the wolf in sheep's clothing ; promises and contracts broken ; unjust decrees ; mean methods triumph.

About April 24, Jupiter trine Saturn : the march of violence will be halted ; increasing confidence in Europe.

End of April, Uranus square Venus : Venus, goddess of peace and ruler of peace treaties signifies a new situation. A rapid sequence of events bring up fresh prospects. All attempts to sabotage peace negotiations do more good than harm to the understanding for a new European order. At the end of

April, Mars will receive a square from Neptune. It is interesting to note that the same aspect becomes exact in Hitler's horoscope during this period (see chapter entitled "Hitler's Last Birthday"). Hitler's progressive Mars is now almost on the exact degree of the Peace horoscope's Mars. The authoritarian states may heap crime upon crime, but their war spirit will become more and more detested. It is not the Allies who will bring the subjection of this "Mars"; the authoritarian states will themselves carry this spirit of conflict to absurdity, and will swallow each other up. Behind slogans that are ostensibly the same, they undermine each other and now, when their masks gradually fall off, they all feel deceived. They see that their salvation lies only in a course in which reason and justice set the standards, instead of in an expansionist policy which endangers the welfare of all for the benefit of nationalist fanaticism. During that period, we shall hear a great deal about trickery and betrayal. The authoritarian states give a performance from which we can learn much.

They now prove that there are no real friendships among them; that their relationships are only based on interests which, at any time, may have to make way for newer interests. Within these states the people do not retain confidence in their governments. It is only as long as these governments promise better conditions of living that they retain the confidence of the masses. So soon as this confidence proves misplaced, the people cast off their servitude, for there is sense in tyranny only while there are advantages to be gained from it. They will then be trained to new principles and the dictators can see how far they have got with their gangster methods.

May 1940

The progressive Moon receives a trine from Mercury. It will be a new chapter in the history of the Treaty of Versailles. The European nations will renew their interrupted relationships ; they will learn mutual understanding. Instead of preying on each other, there will be a desire to help each other. Startling diplomatic activity in all countries ; weapons are laid down ; reason decides ; important political speeches everywhere and a search for fresh methods to build up a new Europe. Newspapermen turn the spotlight on a Conference table from which a spirit, worthy of the 20th century, emanates.

About May 5, Saturn is in harmonious relation to the Sun : war-aims are fulfilled with justice ; peace aims are in the forefront of all debate. Mr. Chamberlain's renown as the champion of peace finds its way to the four corners of the earth. (About May 3, Jupiter trine Saturn.)

About the middle of May, Saturn square Neptune : peace cannot be born without the suppression of evil ; we hear of underground agitation and criminal outrages on all sides, but of what avail is all this against the Truth, which now marches forward with greater power than Hitler's Armies marched against the Peace ?

What a benevolent force is radiated by the Uranus-Jupiter sextile in the middle of the month ! The triumph of justice and the birth of a new outlook in Europe could not be more vividly mirrored than by this aspect. There is nothing senile about the democratic world order ; on the contrary, the indignation against the barbarism of Hitler rejuvenates democracy. In discerning quarters it is perceived that this war has had a healing effect. Europe recovers from its "children's diseases" of the period

following the World War. Even the German people free themselves from false conceptions and move towards a healthier future, in which the spirit of individuality again dominates the mass-spirit, and thus all prosper.

This aspect is strengthened by the sextile of the transiting Jupiter to Uranus which is exact about May 22 and 23. It is a brilliant aspectation which repairs the harm done in the previous year to so many who believed in the progress of mankind.

Yet another aspect now fixes our gaze : the transit of the Dragon's Head over the Ascendant in the Treaty's horoscope. As Libra is the rising sign in this horoscope, we know for certain that peace dawns over Europe.

June 1940

During this month, our interest centres round two transits of the progressive Uranus. At the beginning of the month there is a Mars aspect which unlooses powerful forces and, in the middle of the month, a Mercury aspect brings many surprises and, especially, a revival of spiritual life in Europe. All the revolutionary movements which, in this month, bring changes in nearly every European country, do not mean the death of Versailles, but are phases in the work of pacification which lies in its origins. About May 11 and 12, a specially fortunate aspect occurs in the horoscope of the Peace Treaty, Jupiter sextile Sun : the nations breathe relief ; European events show that, in the not distant future, the good will once again have it in their power to dispense justice.

The Jupiter sextile Neptune about June 22 brings real mental relief in an Europe so long disturbed by acute crises, and will rescue it from a terrible nightmare.

July 1940

This month is significant for a square of the progressive Moon to its radical position, and for an Uranus square Saturn. These aspects speak of the changes which the European nations—especially Germany—will undergo this summer. Such a process of change cannot be achieved without friction and, above all, cannot be achieved without mental conflict in every individual. Many countries will change their governments and nothing remains permanent. Nevertheless, these changes in home and foreign affairs will not be accomplished under the conditions which for years have menaced the peace of Europe. One thing, however, will in any case be different: the apostles of peace in Germany will not languish in concentration camps, nor will they be foully murdered, but the thousands of guilty ones will not escape their just penalty. And this settling of accounts will naturally make the world hold its breath for months. Germany will be the scene of civil war and will have to thank the Allies if their conflict does not assume the same proportions as the Spanish Civil War.

During this period, the prenatal Moon will gain brilliance from a trine with Mars. This shows the exaltation and enthusiasm of the nations for the work of reconstruction which is inaugurated with an unheard of *élan*.

And the results shewn will bring honour to those who hold the destiny of Europe in their hands.

August 1940

Jupiter sextile Moon is the astrological expression for the events of this month, within the framework of the Treaty's horoscope. This benevolent aspect will last many weeks and will create an atmosphere of peace and conciliation. The new men in Germany

do not work in their own interests but in the real interests of their people which is, at the same time, a contribution towards European peace.

At this point we will cease our discussion of the aspects which are relative to the Treaty of Versailles. Even if revolutionary developments in Europe are not concluded before the middle of 1941, we will by August 1940, have reached the moment which the world to-day is hoping for.

If this author has succeeded in allaying the anxieties of his readers, those anxieties which to-day oppress the minds of men, then his work on this book would have been duly rewarded. He has, at one of the most disquieting moments in European history, undertaken to discover the workings of the Universal Law. And he has found in them a purpose and a meaning which, on account of daily events in Europe, seemed to have gone out of life. He trusts that his readers will gain the same comfort from this as he has himself gained.

THREE PEACE AIMS IN THE WAR AGAINST HITLERISM

1. AUSTRIA 2. CZECHO-SLOVAKIA 3. POLAND

1. The Liberation of Austria

Austria's Future · Revolutionary Movements · Attempted Assassinations · A National Coalition · Otto von Habsburg · His Surprising Successes · Can Otto Unify Austria?

OPPONENTS of astrology or those who stand aloof from it should make up their minds to study the various inter-relationships of aspects between horoscopes. For example: at the hour of England's declaration of war on Germany, Saturn stood exactly on the Ascendant of the horoscope of the Austrian Republic. And Saturn in the war horoscope stood in exact trine to Mars in the Austrian horoscope. Thus it is clear that not Hitler's invasion but this war will decide the future of Austria. These war aims (Saturn) are harmoniously allied (trine) to Austria's will (Mars). To settle the future of Austria (Ascendant) is one of the aims of this war (Saturn in the war horoscope on Austria's Ascendant). These signs therefore speak for themselves.

Austria is one of the countries which will have revolution in 1940. About June 14, 1940, the transiting Uranus reaches a square to its radical position and a civil war is to be feared. We will hear of uprisings and other disturbing events. Nor will it remain merely a phase of revolutionary activity, for

about November 24, 1940, this aspect repeats itself. At the same time, Saturn is square to Neptune : struggle against traitors and severe measures to suppress the new turmoil are to be expected. The last phase of this Uranus transit comes about April 4, 1941. Then the transiting Saturn in Hitler's horoscope for the last time stand square to itself and approaches an ominous conjunction with Mars. And about April 11, 1941 the transiting Jupiter in Austria's horoscope will form an opposition to the Sun, while about April 30, 1941, it will also form a square to Uranus : there will be revolutionary movements and struggles for power ; it will be critical for the government ; there will be religious tension and notable deaths.

In June 1941, Uranus is square to Saturn, and Saturn on its side stands square to Uranus. Attempts will be made to bring revolutionary activity to a standstill and to let things slip back into an evolutionary stream. About March 25, 1940, the transiting Uranus throws an opposition to the Sun, a definite sign of disturbance. There will be attempts on the lives of leading personalities and important changes for Austria. About March 27, 1940, Saturn reaches the Ascendant of Austria's horoscope and, at the same time, stands in trine to Mars. It now becomes clear that the events of these days will go down in Austria's history. We shall hear of the heroism of a nation ; we shall see that all attempts at oppression are frustrated by the will to win and by the confidence of the Austrian people in their victory.

About March 28, 1940, Saturn is in sextile to the Moon. A nation standing firm becomes inexorable. Whoever attempts their encirclement will be encircled by them. In these fateful days, Europe looks towards the dawn with absolute assurance. In the

spring of 1940, the progressive Moon is in conjunction with the progressive Venus in Sagittarius. Austria will gradually recover from the terrorisation, which the influences of the progressive Mars provoked in the Spring of 1938. Even if March 1940 has—two years after its destruction—still not brought a definite solution of this country's problems, the foundations will at least have been laid upon which a happy Austria, dedicated to art and freedom, will arise again.

The nation has been through hard testing times, but it has now become more riper. Responsible statesmen will form a national coalition; partly monarchist, partly democratic and partly from religious circles, and will now find the people readier for tasks which they had before been unwilling to undertake. The nation has learned to recognise its true leaders. Important alliances will be made about this time; Austria more and more finds friends willing to fight for her independence. At last she will not only free herself from oppression, but will also lose the warlike spirit breathed into her under foreign sovereignty. She will find her true self again and will once more become the Austria that won the sympathy of the whole world. Seyss-Inquart, Bürckel and other traitors will be heard of no more and Austrians will conquer the world afresh with the old gods: Beethoven, Mozart and Schubert, while the spirit of Salzburg again becomes the ideal of cultured people the world over.

In June 1940, the progressive Moon will be in harmonious relation with Mars. A storm of inspiration will drive the Austrian people to accomplishments of unbelievable vigour, and encourage them to drive enemies of the State out of their country, but it is to be hoped that this inspiration does not degenerate into a desire for reprisals. During March and

April 1940, the prenatal Moon forms a square to its radical position, a clear sign of the suppression of true national characteristics during this period, and of the struggle between two groups for supremacy. In the middle of 1940, the prenatal Moon is square to Saturn. The government will make efforts to bring tranquility to the restless people. The economic situation in the country is not very hopeful ; the people have to undergo hard tests, but with the prospect of a national rebirth, they will patiently carry the burdens imposed on them and turn only against those groups which still try to endanger Austria's independence.

In August 1940, the people will be disturbed by a square of the prenatal Moon to Uranus. Important reforms will be carried through. Parliament will be formed anew ; revolutionary movements break out everywhere. The government will be at great pains to minimise the burdens of a disaster. In December 1940, the prenatal Moon stands hostile to the Sun and there will be divisions between the people and the Government.

Only by April 1941 will we see the prenatal Moon in a sextile to Jupiter. Revolutionary movements give way to a new order leading Austria to her renaissance. During 1940 and 1941, the prenatal Sun receives a sextile from Saturn. The government slowly stabilises itself ; groups that had earlier been banished again win the confidence of the people and accomplish the work that they had formerly been prevented from accomplishing. Austria's economic situation will visibly improve through the sympathy of influential circles abroad and will be placed on a sounder footing.

The trine of the prenatal Mercury to the Moon

presages an immense change in the spiritual structure of the Austrian people. They are once again susceptible to spiritual progress and aspire to new, humane ideas. It will be difficult to understand how, only a few years earlier, a movement had grown up in the body of the nation which endeavoured to displace its fundamentally religious character by a tyranny and by false ideals.

Among the many other aspects which operate during the years of revolution 1940 and 1941, we must not overlook the passage of the transiting Jupiter in Austria's horoscope. It is in friendly aspect to the Moon and to Mars in May 1940 (exact about May 20). This concentration of significant influences enables us to conclude that decisions of the highest importance for the future of Austria are due to be taken during this period. When Hitler fell on Austria in March 1938, Mars passed the Ascendant. Now it is Jupiter which goes over the most important point in her horoscope. Even the uninformed person can then perceive what a different spirit will be displayed by the Austrian nation, and those who fought for her independence now know that they have triumphed.

The horoscope of Austria also indicates important influences at work during the politically significant days round about June 10, 1940, as well as about August 8, 1940, but to discuss this in any detail would take us too far. The author feels that, even without such details, a reader could form a fair picture of things to come by the time he has read to the end of this book. There is no cheap-jack prophesying here, but scientific calculation which should give the reader, looking anxiously into the future, the broad answer that will also bring new hope for him.

Austrian friends have often asked this author whether he believes in the return of the House of Habsburg. To this we reply that the horoscope of Otto von Habsburg shows influences of a conflicting nature. There are aspects in it which promise great things, as for instance, Sun trine Moon ; but there are others such as Sun opposition Saturn which enable us to conclude that he will also suffer the greatest set-backs. The needs of his people and their struggle for independence can bring about a situation which would favour him. Even sections which in normal times, would have least thought of voting for a restoration of the monarchy, would welcome every opportunity of shaking off the far less congenial fetters which now bind them down. Thus the Austrian Hitler, breathing the Prussian spirit, unwittingly aids and abets a restoration of the monarchy in Austria. It is Hitler's tragic mission to help the victory of those very forces which he feels he has been called upon to destroy.

Otto von Habsburg's aspects during the revolutionary years 1940-1941 make it clear that his ambitious mother achieves the object of her endeavours. The young Habsburg still has a mission in Austria, but he is not destined to keep for a lifetime what he regains. Nevertheless, it would be absurd to look too far into the future to-day. Let us keep to the present and to the near future, which is truly anxious enough.

As I have already written in *Hitler's Last Year of Power*, the progressive Sun during 1940-1941 moves in conjunction with the progressive Jupiter in the horoscope of the heir to the Austrian throne. We can well imagine what a climax will have been reached in the life of this prince, so unfortunate in his youth. The Sun is co-ruler of the Zenith and thus Otto von

Habsburg can now come to power. In March and April 1940, the progressive Moon passes its radical position. He is one of those appointed to figure in European events, and there will be change of domicile for him. His country calls him.

In the summer of 1940, the progressive Moon, which now moves in Aries, the sign of struggle, goes into the house of the public. The popularity of Prince Otto among his people steadily grows. The progressive Moon continues to be most promisingly aspected, especially so when it passes over a trine Mercury and to the radical Jupiter in the Spring of 1942, and also because of trines to the progressive Sun and the progressive Jupiter which the Sun conjunction Jupiter brings into effect. A stage in his endeavours to gain power which has been full of conflict is overcome, and the dreams of his youth become realities.

This transit also shows that the last days of March and the early days of April 1940 are decisive for his future. He also will find himself drawn into the orbit of world affairs and will even become a leading figure in them. May 1940 brings, among other aspects, a Mars-Neptune sextile which indicates success for him. Efforts for peace in Europe, likely to be favourable are also mirrored by this. About August 8, 1940, Prince Otto will experience surprising advancement through an Uranus-Neptune sextile. Towards the end of 1940, the Dragon's Head passes over the Ascendant in Libra. He will be able to look back on a successful year which is crowned by a victory for endeavours which had earlier been in vain. It is to be hoped that he may succeed where Dolfuss failed; that he may succeed in uniting all the hostile parties to the common task of reconstruction. If his mission is only to tide over

an Austria that is finding itself again, then it is indeed one that is big enough.

2. *Czecho-Slovakia's Struggle for Independence and Dr. Benes' Future*

Start of New Period in Czech History · Revolutionary Spirit Active · Notable Success in July · Tremendous Sacrifices

THE Czech people are once again struggling for their living space and for their independence, to which they have a moral right, although Hitler has thought otherwise. It is of special interest that the Ascendant in England's War Horoscope of 1939 occupies the same position as Venus in the horoscope of the Czecho-Slovakian Republic, Venus being in Libra in the mid-Heaven. What a magnificent symbol! This Venus in Libra is an infallible sign of the justice which will again be accorded to the Czech people. That just this degree of the Zodiac should be the decisive degree in Europe's destiny proves that the present war involves a struggle for the independence and freedom of the Czechs.

There were signs of agitation in the Czecho-Slovakian sky when Hitler started his agitation, ostensibly for the Sudetenland. The progressive Sun had reached a square to Uranus, and the Sun is ruler of the house of Death. The transiting Saturn stood square to Jupiter. Thus the disintegration of this country was inevitable, thus a pretence of justice was insisted upon, thus decisions were inevitable in which the right stood only on one side. The progressive Sun had also reached a square to the Moon. It was the life or death struggle of a nation which had striven for nothing more than peace and the victory of human justice (Libra at the zenith).

When Hitler, in March 1939, showed himself in his

true colours, the progressive Moon of the Czech Republic had to pass over his Mars. Came his cowardly attack on a peaceful country. Once again he had broken his word. But on September 3, the day of reckoning had come.

About the end of 1939-1940, the progressive Sun moves in conjunction with the progressive Venus. At this moment important contacts are made and significant agreements are effected. At this time also the first signs of coming freedom show themselves. In February and March 1940, the prenatal Moon is in conjunction with the Sun: a new period in the life of the Czech people starts. About February 16, 1940, the transiting Saturn reaches a trine to its radical position. Those in power in Germany will see how futile is their conflict with these heroic Czechs. At the beginning of February 1940 (about February 3) the Dragon's Head is in trine to Uranus and, about the 10th, it is in sextile to the Moon: a gigantic revolutionary spirit seethes in the Czech people which helps them to win back again one lost post after another. Among the aspects in March, we need only mention the Uranus-Mars transit which occurs about the 28th. We will hear of revolt and warlike events, and an important stage in this nation's fight for freedom is reached.

About April 2, 1940, Jupiter is in trine to Mars. We will hear of successful attempts towards expansion. May 1940, sees the continuation of an auspicious struggle for independence. About April 1-7 Jupiter is favourably influenced by Saturn: a great aim is now reached. Leaders who formerly played a part in the country combine with the heroes of the new struggle for freedom, and work for the rebirth of their mother country.

About June 11, 1940, the transiting Jupiter has

reached a trine to Mars. World events of this period will also have their effect on the Czech people. There will be a heroic struggle for a great cause, and a storm of enthusiasm will sweep through every Czech who now knows that success is assured. A belief in eternal justice will once more find a place in the heart of this nation. But their struggle for independence cannot be successfully won without sacrifice. June 1940 will be a fateful month for Czechoslovakia. About June 3 and 4, a series of critical aspects make themselves felt. The most important among these is the Uranus square Moon. Surprising events that will shake the world can be expected during these days. Not even Czechoslovakia will escape a revolutionary movement and she will, during this time, have to undergo unforeseen changes. Leading statesmen are in danger of their lives ; lawlessness and treason sweep the country and economic need drives the population to extremes. Between June 13 and 15, 1940, Uranus reaches a square to itself : party struggles and signs of civil war have to be withstood. About June 30, 1940, Jupiter stands square to Neptune. We cannot help feeling that what has been gained up to now does not stand on solid foundations. The heads of the state will have to bring all their skill to bear in preventing the threatened chaos from extending to a general disintegration.

When in July the Dragon's Head passes over the mid-Heaven, the Czechoslovakian government can mark down a success, but many stages will have to be passed before they can speak of a period of tranquil development. About July 4, 1940, the Jupiter opposition Mercury will bring spiritual disagreements. It is also worth noting that there will be diplomatic activities and tension with neighbour states. Towards the end of the month the Uranus-Venus

opposition will make a change in the government necessary, since attacks on the leading personalities are to be expected.

The aspects of the first weeks of August will also excite the Czech people. The Uranus opposition Sun indicates serious struggles for power. Leading statesmen are again in danger of their lives, and doubts are cast upon what has already been achieved.

In September 1940, the prenatal Moon reaches the radical position of Venus and also the Ascendant of the English War horoscope. This is a breathing space for the severely tested Czechs who can now expect help from all sides. Alliances which will be entered into introduce a happier period for the reborn Czech nation.

Although the series of critical aspects which, in the previous June had created unrest, repeat themselves towards the end of November, the Czech people can nevertheless have the consolation of looking forward to their further development. About the change of the year 1940-1941, the prenatal Moon reaches a trine to Uranus. Many things which had long been dreamed of by the best among the nation will now take definite shape. The leaders of the Czech people will make an important contribution towards the establishment of a new Europe. The Czech people in their recent past have had to make many sacrifices, but they will be compensated for these by the conviction that they, as scarcely another country in Europe, helped democracy to triumph. Thus, the sacrifices of this country will go down into history, and especially into the history of world peace.

The Future of Dr. Benes

HITLER's inferiority was never more strongly evidenced than in September 1938 when he summoned

all the devilish forces at his command for a conflict with Dr. Benes, one of the most significant representatives of European culture. Benes was, until this time, a national hero but Hitler succeeded in making of him a statesman of world importance, who will once again come into the picture at the birth of the new Europe. Dr. Benes was never more humane, never greater or more democratic than in that tragic moment of his life, when he quietly accepted all sorts of untrue statements about himself without retort, and displayed truly statesmanlike qualities in the face of barbarous attacks from the Nazis. Dr. Benes was never greater than when he suffered all Hitler's cowardly personal attacks in silence, and still in silence he quietly left his country.

The horoscope of Benes in many ways shows a remarkable likeness to the horoscope of Brüning. In both of them, nearly the same degree of the Mercury sign Gemini rises. The main difference is the contrast between the positions of the Sun in each case. Benes' Sun stands in Gemini while Brüning's Sun is in the Jupiter sign, Sagittarius. Benes is more of an intellectual, Brüning more of a religious man. Benes will always see the realistic side of every problem, while Brüning, because of his deep religious sense, will always handle a problem from the philosophic point of view. Too much importance should not, however, be attached to this difference between them, for both are frequently in accord because of basically common aspects, even though they may reach the root of things from varying points of view.

With the downfall of Hitler, Benes, like Brüning, will be reinstated. In the horoscope of Benes in 1940, the progressive Sun stands in conjunction with Jupiter, and this aspect, becoming exact in the Autumn of 1940 and occurring in the Sun sign Leo,

unmistakably shows us that Benes will rise again. His popularity both in his own country and all over Europe will reach heights never before experienced by him in a great career. At about the same time as this wonderfully benevolent Sun direction, Benes also feels the effects of a Mercury-Jupiter conjunction. The world will talk about his speeches and his public pronouncements, which gain in importance, will carry weight in the formation of the new Europe. Dr. Benes will not only be honoured as a great patriot but also as a fighter for a new world order.

In the middle of 1940, Benes' Sun receives a sextile from Saturn. The high seriousness and the measure of responsibility he brings to bear in the fulfilment of his tasks will earn him the respect of the world. The trine of the prenatal Venus and the progressive Uranus which is effective in 1940-1941 will disclose what this statesman's exile has signified. He has in many ways become a changed man, and even former opponents of his policy will now offer to serve with him. Misunderstood and attacked in many quarters, he left his country in silence, but he will return, welcomed by a completely different nation to the one he left to go into exile, and honoured by the whole world. Especially about the middle of 1940, there will be a complete change in his life. The progressive Moon in July 1940, through conjunctions with Mercury and Jupiter will bring into effect the Mercury-Jupiter direction which we have already mentioned before. At this time, Europe will take on a new face and Dr. Benes will be one of the pioneers of this new Europe.

Among the many transits which take effect in Dr. Benes' horoscope during the coming years of revolution, the June aspects are outstanding. About June 18, 1940, Uranus will be harmoniously related

to its radical position, and it is certain that this aspect, in the midst of a group of others, will bring about a complete change in Dr. Benes' destiny. In November 1940, this Uranus transit repeats itself, and Dr. Benes will note a further stage in its happy effects which spell success.

As often in history, the power of the sword may for a time prove stronger than the power of the spirit, but, ultimately the power of the spirit must triumph, and thus Benes, who is on the side of right, will beat Hitler. "The truth prevails" were the last words of the Czech martyr, Jan Hus, and Masaryk the founder of the Czech republic adopted them as the motto of his country. This will also be the motto of Dr. Benes in exile, and with it he will call upon his people to participate in the great work of building the future Europe during the coming months of the Years of Revolution.

3. Poland's Fight for Freedom

German Invasion Inevitable · Signs of Hope · Attack on Poland Means Disaster for Germany · Rebirth of Poland

IN *Hiller's Last Year of Power*, contrary to the opinions of other astrologers, I predicted the German invasion of Poland. I also predicted the attacks on Colonel Beck's foreign policy and the passing of President Moscicki from the political scene. These predictions have come true. My further prediction was that Poland would be reinstated on a completely new basis. Meanwhile Hitler launched his war against the Polish nation, and thus came the destruction of Warsaw and the bombing of women and children; thus came nameless misery to a people whose sole desire was to live in peace. Poland's

horoscope however, made this disaster inevitable. Ominous aspects compelled the astrologer to calculate on such a fateful blow. It is interesting to note in this connection that the Polish Republic was proclaimed only two days after the German Republic, and for this reason most of the unhappy aspects in the horoscope of the German Republic repeat themselves in Poland's horoscope. The fateful square between the Sun and Uranus is nevertheless more exact in the Polish horoscope, because the Sun had moved on a few degrees. The Moon in the Polish horoscope happened to be in conjunction with Uranus so that the Moon also formed a square to the Sun and thus, from the very date of its birth, the keen astrologer could have predicted a disaster for the Polish Republic.

On the day of the German invasion of Poland, the progressive Mars in the Polish horoscope was in opposition to Jupiter. Here was the symbol for Poland's loss of freedom. In addition, there was the conjunction of the progressive Mercury with Mars which tells us about the strategems employed by Hitler and Stalin to destroy the Polish State. But, although this is a tragic period for the Polish nation, Poland is not destined to be destroyed for ever and will arise again. That is why I wrote in *Hitler's Last Year of Power* that "an attack on Poland must lead to disaster for Hitler," and again that "it is Poland's good fortune in this historic hour that almost the whole world is willing to fight for her freedom and independence."

The prenatal Sun in the Polish horoscope is moving to a Saturn sextile. The Polish people should find encouragement to cry again: "Poland is still not lost." In the middle of 1940, the progressive Moon will pass over Mercury in Sagittarius.

Then the Polish question along with many others will come up for settlement, and the new Polish government will successfully stand up for their cause, and will gain the sympathy not only of their own people but of the world. About the change of the year 1940-1941, the progressive Moon comes into conjunction Sun and Venus. These are excellent influences which begin a new period in the life of the Polish nation. But Poland is also one of the countries which, during the formation of a peaceful Europe, will be affected by revolutionary movements. Thus, like many other of these countries she will be affected by the Uranus square to its radical position (June and November, 1940) which will bring unforeseen events and changes. The Polish Republic has many aspects in common with the German Republic such as the Jupiter trine Saturn about May 5, 1940, which brings about a marked change in the war situation in Europe. We do not need to consider in greater detail the numerous other important aspects which become effective in the horoscope of Poland during the various stages of 1940-41. All the significant dates mentioned in the Calendar of Events at the end of the book apply equally to Poland, though that country might not always be named.

Let us now consider the horoscope of the German-Polish War which is calculated for the hour of Germany's invasion of Poland. The Mars in this war horoscope stands on the Moon of the German Republic's horoscope. Not only the world but the German people themselves have been greatly shocked by this new invasion for which its government has been responsible. This strong Mars in the war horoscope rules the Moon and Jupiter which flank the cusp of the house of death. The war-spirit (Mars) rules

the inner life of the participating nations (Moon), justice and the rights of the people (Jupiter). Jupiter, god of truth and justice dominates the result of this war, and thus this horoscope also leaves us in no doubt as to coming events. In January 1940, the transiting Jupiter will pass over the Moon, and in February 1940, it will pass over its own radical position. These signs suffice to show that this war will recoil on those who deliberately and frivolously let it loose.

When the prenatal Moon, about the middle of 1940, moves towards a Neptune opposition, the German dictator's dreams of world domination will be smashed. He will now realise that he too, has only been human after all. It is incidentally, of interest to the astrologer that about May 12, Uranus moves over its radical position in the German-Polish war horoscope. About this time, Jupiter also approaches Saturn, and a new chapter in the history of the war will have opened. Hitler has exhausted his skill and must leave the sinking German ship of state to those who are willing to undertake to pilot it.

Mr. Chamberlain in his broadcast talk of November 26, 1939, differentiated strikingly between the war aims and the peace aims of the Allies. For democracy there is only one aim: the destruction of Hitler's regime of brute force. There are, however, many peace aims, the nearest of these to us being the liberation of all the nations which have been enslaved by this policy of brute force. A further, but none the less important peace aim is the creation of a new Europe in which all the valuable things of our culture which Hitler tried to destroy shall be resurrected.

TWO OF HITLER'S NEIGHBOURS

HUNGARY AND RUMANIA

HUNGARY: Horthy's Horoscope · Disaster Avoided · Nazi Agitation · Warlike Action · Favourable Developments · RUMANIA: Varying fortunes of King Carol · Loses Power · Attempts on His Life · Aggressive Neighbours · Tragic Period · New Hope · King Carol the Fighter

To be a neighbour of Nazi Germany is a tragedy, for Hitler's ambitious Saturn at the zenith rules the house of neighbours. Thus it happens that Hitler seeks to tyrannise and dominate his neighbour states.

Which among them will be his next victim? Which among his weaker neighbours will he fall upon so that he might feel mightier and thus momentarily eradicate his deep inferiority complex? Let us consider two of them who are in danger and see if they are likely to become the objects of his aggression.

Hungary

The horoscope of the Regent, Admiral Horthy should be sufficient to give us an answer. The much-prized friendship between Hitler and the Hungarian Regent is like all the rest of Hitler's friendships. He only cultivates friends in order to capitalise them. This was the case with Hugenberg, Thyssen, Papen, Fritsch, Gregor Strasser, Roehm and hosts of others, and Stalin would be blind not to see through this.

Horthy has no illusions. His Pluto and Mars stand on Hitler's Mars, critical signs for their friendship. It is a question of time before the same "flatteries" will be applied to the Admiral as were applied to Dolfuss, Schuschnigg and the rest. The time for that has not yet come and if it never comes, it will only be because Hitler is far too busily engaged elsewhere. Horthy's secret plans do not coincide with those for Hitler's conquering drive. If he makes this move or that now, it is for the reason that he is looking further ahead than Hitler, and regards present conditions as merely temporary.

Hungary was one of the states which underwent reconstruction after the World War. And like all these states, it will have to undergo further change during the coming revolutionary years. The sign Uranus indicates storms and changes, but only when everything has settled down can the sense of these changes be perceived. During January 1939, Horthy has two critical directions of the prenatal Mars, and will have to thank other fortunate aspects if he and his country avoid disaster. For Hungary also, decisive events have been postponed until 1940-1941. When a new Europe is then established, she will have to set up new principles and strike out on another course.

At the beginning of 1940, Horthy has the progressive Moon in trine to Mars. Hitler will make strenuous efforts to change Hungary's neutrality into a warlike alliance. Horthy will work feverishly to strengthen his army, but stands fast and takes energetic action.

In February and March 1940, the progressive Moon moves to a Mercury opposition, and this is a critical period for Horthy himself, for his government and for his people. The Nazis will not shrink from a

new campaign of agitation. We shall hear of broken treaties and of sensational press warfare. Towards the end of February 1940, Horthy can mark down a success. Jupiter passes over its radical position and Saturn is in harmonious relation with the Sun. Horthy is firm and can count on the sympathy of the whole world.

At the end of March 1940, the Hungarian situation becomes more critical. Occurrences in neighbour states confront Horthy with important decisions. Saturn afflicts Venus and Jupiter must pass over Neptune. Remarkable dislocation of the whole situation in Europe. Horthy endangers himself by participating in obscure actions. At the beginning of the year the transiting Neptune passes over the Ascendant, bringing secret opposition and the dissolution of alliances.

In the middle of April 1940, Uranus is in conjunction with Mars in Horthy's horoscope. This aspect brings storms for Hungary and she will be involved in warlike action.

At the beginning of May 1940, when the European situation starts to ease, Horthy has the aspects to prevent a great civil, and the aspects about June 11 have the same effect. It will need all Horthy's skill to extricate his people from the chaos in which many of their neighbour states are now involved. Moon directions and transits during August will cause Horthy to change his course. Everything in Hungary also is in a process of ferment, and there will be no quietening down of the situation before 1941.

Horthy's Sun at the zenith is too favourable a sign for Hitler to compel him to follow in the footsteps of Schuschnigg or Benes. After a passing crisis, events in Central Europe in the Spring of 1940 will develop well for Admiral Horthy and for Hungary.

Rumania

It is more critical for King Carol and Rumania than for Horthy and Hungary. When King Carol left his country some years ago, he certainly did not abdicate for the last time. He has an interesting but up and down destiny. Surprises of a happy and unhappy nature will be the order of the day for him and for his people, so long as he remains king. In a few years the progressive Saturn reaches the position of the Sun in King Carol's horoscope. He can then no longer keep his authority. It will be already remarkable if he can get through 1940 without a loss of power. From the Spring of 1940 up to the Spring of 1941, the progressive Mars is in conjunction with Mercury and Uranus. Rumania must take into account that the ideological struggle between Fascism and Bolshevism, which for the moment has been sunk ostensibly in a fight against democracy, endangers her territory. Hitler and Stalin, desiring to become more powerful and growing more dangerous to each other, may carry their inevitable struggle to foreign soil. Saturn aspects menace King Carol and, driven into a tight corner, he will be inclined to take action which will profit his opponents within the country. An attempt on his life is not an improbability. June and July, 1940, are especially critical in this respect.

On July 1, Uranus stands in conjunction with Jupiter; about June 16, the Dragon's Head passes over Saturn, while about June 5-9, Saturn throws an opposition to Mercury and Uranus, aspects which Jupiter repeats at the beginning of July 1940. These are all grave signs for King Carol, his government, his country and his people. In June 1940, Saturn stands on the mid-Heaven, and this will sensibly decrease King Carol's power and property.

Meanwhile, there are some favourable Moon directions at about this time. If King Carol remains adaptable and adjusts himself more to the wishes of his people, he can once again escape the worst. Aggressive neighbours will call for sacrifices from him and his people and will lay burdens on them, at a period which will count as one of the most tragic experienced by them during disturbing times.

When the transiting Jupiter is in opposition to King Carol's Mars about February 15, 1940, Rumania will have to protect herself against the invasion of power-lusting neighbours, hungry for possession. Between February 17 and 22, 1940, there are some successful aspects in King Carol's horoscope. He does not find himself isolated and has good ground for believing in the victory of his cause.

When Jupiter and Saturn are hostile to each other about March 21, 1940, doubts may creep in and many hopes may be dashed. About this time, Uranus is square to the Ascendant. European events will strongly affect the Rumanian ruler, but about March 27, 1940, Saturn is in trine to the Moon. The King feels that Europe is regaining sanity and happenings in neighbouring states offer him a welcome opportunity for establishing his power. Days such as May 5 and June 11, 1940 are also mirrored in his horoscope but are dealt with in the tables at the end of this book.

In July and October, 1940, we find Saturn and Jupiter together in opposition to the progressive Uranus. Much has been achieved but there is still no tranquility. The people have to be made ripe for new political ideas and must therefore go through hard testing times. During 1940 and 1941, there will be no nation that will not be fighting a life and death struggle. Nobody will envy King Carol his

throne, but he is not the man to allow himself to be carried along by any wind that blows. He is a level-headed monarch and he goes only when it pleases him. He fights for what he is likely to be deprived of, even to the point of paying for it with his life.

N.B.—Not being in possession of accurate and reliable horoscopes of countries such as Holland, Belgium, Switzerland, Luxembourg, etc., I do not venture to make any predictions concerning their fate.

FINLAND'S HEROIC STRUGGLE

Horoscope of Russian Invasion · Successful Struggle · General Mannerheim · Freedom for Finland

IN the horoscope of Finland's declaration of independence, the sign of peace, Libra, rises. The birth ruler Venus stood in trine to Jupiter. The Finnish people's independent spirit could not have been more vividly expressed. We know that even the most humane person cannot live in peace if it does not please his neighbour, and accordingly we find the Sun, in the house of neighbours, strongly afflicted by the Moon, Mars and Jupiter. Mercury, signifying neighbours, is in its own house and in opposition to the malevolent Pluto which stands elevated above all other planets in the horoscope. Thus this horoscope is also a classic example of astrological symbolism.

The prenatal Mars, signifying open enemies, has during the twenty years of Finland's recent history moved towards the Moon, which generally personifies the people and here especially, the confidence of the people in the government. There could not be a more striking aspect to represent the Russian invasion. The prenatal Saturn again stands exactly at its radical position, and we can sympathise with the agony of this small nation.

The break in the negotiations between Russia and Finland is clearly mirrored by the opposition

of the progressive Moon to Mercury (November-December 1939). During the days of the invasion, the transiting Mars passed exactly over a Moon opposition and brought into effect the Mars-Moon direction of which we have spoken. The tragedy of Finland does not surprise the astrologer, and he would be shaken were it not for the fact that he sees a settlement of the Finnish question in the near future.

Finland is one of the countries which underwent a change during the revolutionary years between 1917 and 1919, and thus it comes under a new horoscope. As we have said at other points in this book, all these countries have to calculate on an Uranus square to its radical position during 1939-1941. This means that they will undergo changes during this time. The main phase of this revolutionary period lies between the Spring of 1940 and the Spring of 1941, but the outcome of these changes will not finally be settled until after that time.

In Finland's horoscope this aspect which means change takes place about April 13, 1940. It will bring into effect a square of the prenatal Sun to Uranus, which will be exact in the Summer of 1940. Numerous Moon directions and transits from March to June 1940, clearly show that European events of these days will also bring the Finnish question to a just settlement. Above all, the Sun-Moon trine, which reaches its climax in March 1941, supports our belief in the Finnish nation's struggle for independence when its benevolent radiations fall on the Finnish people and its government.

In General Mannerheim the Finnish people have a representative who might be the envy of a bigger nation. His horoscope shows that he is rightly the hero of his country. His strong Mars in Leo denotes

his firmness and heroism which stirs his people and inspires them to deeds which are renowned in the history of struggles for freedom. But this man does not only possess strength and courage. His Jupiter tells us of a noble disposition such as is possessed by few statesmen. What a blow it must have been for him when the Russians once more fell upon his country from which he flung them back twenty years ago. The transiting Uranus then stood in exact opposition to the rising Saturn. General Mannerheim saw his life's work in danger but he did not hesitate for long. Mars on the day of the invasion stood on Jupiter. There was no need for reflection. He called upon his people to fight for a just cause. Stalin may have a temporary triumph, but he has the conscience of the world against him and the balance in life which adjusts everything.

In April and May 1940, the progressive Moon in Mannerheim's horoscope passes over Jupiter. The pages are turned. Finland's leader who in the months following has a number of compensating aspects at his disposal, sees the flag of freedom flying over his native land once more. Even though the process of change might also mean alterations in home affairs extending over a whole year, and though this struggle might have meant sacrifice, it would not have been in vain.

THE FUTURE OF THE JEWISH PEOPLE THE FATE OF THE GERMAN JEWS

A New Era of Jewish Culture · Universal Service Their Task · "Seven Fat Years" · Great Change in Jewish Problem · A Peace Aim of Allies

IN a book about the future of Europe, the destiny of the Jews and especially the German Jews, cannot be ignored. Few problems have gained such prominence through the coming of Hitler as the Jewish problem. A minority is the very thing a dictator is looking for to vent his feelings upon, but it is doubtful whether Hitler has done his work either wisely or well. Apart from the fact that Germany, because of her treatment of Jews, has lost the help of many worthwhile people in cultural and economic spheres, Hitler's propaganda has not had the resounding success anticipated. The reason is that it is the same propaganda technique he applies against the Jews, against weaker neighbour states, against the Catholics, the British and everybody else as well. Willy nilly, they are all thrown into the same pot, and thus even the confirmed Nationalist Socialist must begin to wonder.

Astrology ascribes the planet Saturn to the Jewish people. This means that both individually and as a whole the Jews show strong Saturn characteristics. Every planet has its positive and negative side, depending on its aspectation and therefore, each

nation has its good side as well as a side that need not be imitated. Nevertheless, Saturn as the symbol of fundamental Jewish characteristics is not to be found only in the horoscope of Jewish people. Saturn plays a part in almost every horoscope and thus those specifically Jewish traits which the Nazis ascribe to that race are found in non-Jews as well and are, in any case, absurd. Saturn, for example plays a strong and sinister part in Hitler's horoscope, standing as it does at the Zenith and at the same time in square to Mars and Venus. Here it is the symbol of power-lust, hate, selfishness, greed and delusion.

But a Saturn, occupying more or less the same position as it does in Hitler's horoscope can produce quite different influences. To show this, let us compare Hitler's horoscope with that of Einstein. In Einstein's horoscope as in Hitler's the Saturn stands at the Zenith, but it is in conjunction with Mercury. Thus there is a remarkable depth of thought in Einstein. His Saturn is also sextile to Mars, denoting self-discipline and a conservation of energies, and it is trine to the Moon showing profundity of mind, humanity and a sense of humour. Against this, Hitler's Saturn square Mars displays lack of self-mastery and generally an antithesis of the fine qualities that Einstein possesses. It is interesting to note incidentally that when Hitler, two months after taking power, ordered a boycott of the Jews, the transiting Saturn was in opposition to its radical position in his horoscope. Thus this event was clearly mirrored cosmically.

Lacking the exact birth-hour of the Jewish people it has long been difficult to forecast their future with any degree of accuracy, but I have had many good results with a horoscope put up for each Jewish

New Year. The New Year horoscope of 1939, calculated for sunset on September 13, 1939, has a very special significance. It not only mirrors reliably the events of a year but of a whole century, since on this day the Jews counted the year 5700 and a new century began for them. Thus the horoscope of the year 1939 is at the same time the horoscope of Jewry for the coming century.

$$5700 = 5 + 7 + 0 + 0 = 12$$

This sacred number 12, the "number of perfection", reveals to us the essentials of the coming epoch for, with this year one period of history ended and a new period of history began. Twelve is the number of the Jewish race, and thus this twelve represents a unity and also a wholeness.

As a result of Hitler's anti-Semitism, the Jewish people grow stronger and are finding the way back to themselves. It is, in fact, the beginning of a new era of Jewish culture. The spiritual activities of individual Jews and of the Jewish people on the whole become more outstanding than ever before. The horoscope for the coming century of Jewry gives us some details about this. Jupiter, ruler of the horoscope, rises in the East, and not in a sign of weakness or of pure intellect but in the sign of struggle, Aries. Aries is the leader, the pioneer among the signs of the zodiac. All this speaks for itself.

The rising Jupiter fashions a humane character, directed towards the highest aims and, ruling the ninth and tenth houses, it discloses the wide aims which will become associated with Jewry in the coming century. Basing our conclusion on this Jupiter in Aries, we would not be going too far in speaking even of spiritual leadership.

The strong aspectation of the sign Virgo tells us that after leadership, the characteristic of service

will win the love and sympathy of the whole world in the coming century (Sun, Moon, Venus and Neptune in the seventh house). The advancement of universal service will become a natural life-task of this people. Significant innovations and reforms will come from them (Sun trine Uranus) and of course, a great change will occur among the Jews themselves. The misery which Hitler brought to them has reached the limit at which it will be transformed into a spirit of revival.

1941 is a great year for the Jewish people. The progressive Sun in the present horoscope reaches the position of Venus and is at the same time in trine to Uranus. Destiny compensates them for what years of a policy of systematic and recognised oppression has deprived them of. We can count on a completely revolutionary view of the Jewish question.

In 1942-1943, the progressive Sun passes over the radical position of Neptune and the Moon. Now thousand-year old dreams can be fulfilled. A Jewish state can arise, but let us not look so far into the future. 1940 already sees the rise of Jewry. On April 1, 1933 the official boycott of the Jews began, but April 1940 sees the end of "seven lean years", and we can say that "seven fat years" begin.

In February 1940 the progressive Moon has to overcome a Saturn opposition. This will not be an easy time. There will be a new and violent outburst against the Jews among the Nazis. We shall hear of inhuman measures, of murder and suicide. About February 17, 1940, Saturn is square to Mars. Hitler will be more severe than ever because he does not want to give his enemies the satisfaction of witnessing his downfall. At this time the progressive Moon in the Jewish horoscope is in opposition to Hitler's Sun. Hitler will once again make his power

felt. On February 17 also the transiting Mars passes over the Saturn in the Jewish horoscope. In what manner will Hitler rob the Jews who still happen to remain in Germany? Will there still be something left to rob?

About March 24, 1940, Saturn stands at its radical position. Destiny still has the last word; the climax of desperation has been reached. But through all the despair the law of Karma makes itself felt: the settlement begins. About March 26 and 27, 1940, we find a series of harmonious transits. The dark clouds disperse and, through the terrible blackness of the present, the God of their fathers smiles on the Jews. At the end of March 1940, the progressive Moon passes the Dragon's head. A new period of rise for Jewry is proclaimed.

Admittedly in April 1940, there is a Moon-Pluto square which involves the Jews in serious struggle during times that are full of conflict and tension, but against this stand a number of aspects which indicate a tremendous change in the whole of the Jewish problem. Thus, about April 7, 1940, the transiting Neptune stands in conjunction to the Moon. On the same day Uranus is in trine to the Sun. This Uranus-Sun transit can even bring the revolutionising Sun-Uranus direction of 1941 into effect. Mercury on the same day passes over the Ascendant. Thus we can predict that at the end of March 1940 changes will take place which will lead to the first revision of the Jewish laws in Germany during April.

It is interesting that we find confirmation of this in the horoscope of the Nürnberg Laws of September 15, 1935. About March 24, 1940, the transiting Uranus will, for instance, stand in opposition to Jupiter. This clearly shows that the events of March will start a new chapter for Jewry. The passage

of the Saturn over the Uranus of the Nürnberg horoscope about April 29, 1940 brings decisive changes for the Jews.

During May to July, 1940, the prenatal Moon in the horoscope of Jewry is in conjunction with Mercury. This direction allows us to conclude that there will be important discussions and a new settlement of the Jewish problem. The struggle of the Jews for equality of rights will gain strong sympathy the world over, and we shall see that the question of equal rights for this minority will become one of the peace aims of the Allies.

About May 10, 1940, Uranus in the Jewish horoscope passes over its radical position, while about June 8, 1940, Jupiter passes over the Uranus of the Nürnberg horoscope. The revolutionary events of both these dates are of historic significance for the Jews.

In July 1940, other notable transits also take effect. About July 1, 1940, Neptune again stands at its radical position and Saturn is in trine to Mercury. New laws will bring freedom of action for the Jews and a Commission for the amelioration of their conditions is set up. This period causes the Jews to absorb themselves more deeply in religious matters. Their melancholy past will now be revealed in a different light. About July 18, 1940, Jupiter is in trine to Mercury : decrees that are favourable to the Jews ; everywhere there is a stirring of forces which aid them ; we hear of transports which take the Jews back to districts from which they were driven away. About July 28, 1940, Neptune passes the radical position of the Moon. The Jewish people gain in spiritual development and works of scholarship and art by Jews will attract attention.

The Saturn-conjunction of August 8, 1940, which

we have so often mentioned, falls in an exact trine to the Neptune in the horoscope of the Nürnberg laws. The repetition of this conjunction about October 20, 1940 falls in a Mercury trine in the Jewish horoscope (exact about October 23 and 24). The dramatic events of this time will provoke a not unfavourable reaction in the Jewish people. The God of Vengeance becomes the God of Justice. We can say the same about the events of November 26, 1940. The Jews have often stood at the grave of their tormentors and do so once again.

If Hitler's racial prejudices have freed the world of similar delusions, the tears of the Jewish people would not have been in vain.

EPILOGUE

WHEN the publishers announced this book (originally under the title of *Europe's Revolutionary Years, 1940-41*) about the coming revolutions in Europe, its most essential parts had already been written. Europe was not at war and there were no serious fears that war would break out in the near future. The world was still hoping for a peaceful solution of pending European problems. Many must therefore have shaken their heads over this announcement of a book about coming revolutions in Europe which would give a new face to that continent. Efforts were being made to stabilise what was, and there was a longing for peace. Our generation had lived through enough revolution, and the Spanish Civil War was still stirring fresh in every mind.

Perhaps my prediction of coming revolutions was unpopular. Still more revolutions? But I put the

question : may not the European revolutions of twenty years ago, from which we have scarcely recovered, possibly constitute only the commencement of a Greater European Revolution ?

As I write, a few weeks after the German invasion of Poland and the outbreak of a new war in Europe, the world already seems different. Leaving out prediction, everybody knows that either this war will never be finished or that a new Europe will emerge at the end of it. All those questions which seemed to have been resolved during the aftermath of the Great War are once again in a state of flux.

When the present war ends however, there will be a World Conference sitting for months to decide the face of the new Europe. Some nations will make a stand for their rights, others will overthrow their governments but, the best in their midst will unite to a call to form a Federation of European States. The day for this has now come, but should the occasion once again be allowed to pass by in the stream of other historic events, then the time for this great ideal would have been indefinitely deferred.

I myself should like to add my voice to this call.

As an astrologer, however, I believe in the organic growth of all living things and ideas, and I cannot delude myself into seeing already the dawn over an Europe, so many members of which have once again shown that they place the national interest higher than the universal interest. Certainly those defending the ideals of democratic life have proved through the humanising of their war objectives that, on the side of democracy anyhow, this war is being fought for other things than the wars of previous generations. Certainly we have come a good deal nearer to the great ideal of an United States of Europe, and equally this present war will even bring us still nearer to it.

The desire for an European Federation will be awakened in the furthest corners of that continent, but it will be a considerable time before all the European nations will have reached that step at which, as Goethe once said : " National hatred disappears altogether, both if we stand more or less above nations and if we can feel the pain or good fortune of our neighbours as though it were our own."

We should not delude ourselves into thinking that exterior revolution, revolution from without, can improve or change men inwardly. Mankind has to learn how to react to another kind of revolution. I mean inward revolution, the revolution of the heart which alone should precede the revolution to create better outward conditions of life. More and more must we depart from the materialistic notion that we can change the foundations of the world from without.

My call to all of you who want to be not only good Englishmen, Frenchmen or Germans but also good Europeans, urges you to grow ripe for a revolution of the spirit. When such a revolutionary movement takes hold of Europe and spreads like a fire, like the cries for dictators, and better living conditions have spread, then we shall live to see why every earthly dictatorship foundered. And we shall soon have a new Europe, and a new world, because of the intervention of a higher dictatorship.

The United States of Europe ! This is not just an ideal, this is no Utopian wish-fulfilment dream ; this is a need, this is an aim worth living for, an aim worth dying for.

" Workers of the World, Unite ! " Here is a burlesque of a Law of Nature that is misunderstood. And it is taken to be the way out because the real way has not been found. This is the eternal escape.

from self, from the knowledge that the inward unity of each one of us is reciprocal to the outward unity of men.

I know that 1940 and 1941 will go down to history as the years of European Revolutions. If there is one thing I could hope for, it is that the revolutionary forces which will spread universally in the months to come will not remain clinging to the world's facade, to its outer framework. I trust that every man of goodwill may realise, as the whole of life around him changes, that it is for him to change himself, to make himself as new, and to lay the foundation stone of this revolution which, in after-time will be emblazoned in golden letters as the Revolution of the Spirit.

A milestone on the road of this revolution will be reached in the middle of this twentieth century. The need for an United States of Europe will become a reality, and the interim period of Hitlerism will have proved itself to be a period of necessary transition that carried the absurd to the limits of absurdity.

Until then, however, what?

In this book which presages a better Germany, perhaps I may be permitted to conclude with a quotation from Goethe that shines out for the future. On February 25, 1824, one hundred years before the foundation of National Socialism, he said to his secretary Eckermann:

"What do the coming years hold for us? I fear we shall not find tranquillity so soon. It is not given to the world to be modest: to the great to avoid the abuse of violence; to the masses to be content with moderate conditions in the expectation of their gradual amelioration."

"Were it possible to make mankind perfect, we might even conceive of perfect conditions but, as it is, one part will suffer while another will feel that all goes well; egotism and envy will ever play their parts as the evil spirits and party struggles will be without end."

Thus the outlook seems dark, but it seems dark only for those who cannot see in the signs of the times the portents of a better epoch. It seems dark only for those who expect to take place from without what can only take place within. But it does not seem dark for those who glimpse the dawn breaking over the new epoch and who see the coming of the morning.

London, December 1939.

NOTE TO THE READER

THE Calendar of Events which follows is meant to be complementary to the text of the book itself, and reference to the Calendar when significant days are mentioned in the text is advised. While it is impossible to take in every country and every European politician, I have, I hope, succeeded in tracing the broad outlines of the historic events to come during 1940-1941.

In regard to the definite dates mentioned, I wish to point out that these are the dates on which the aspects referred to become exact. Every aspect, however, operates over a period, for the most part the exact date given coincides with the climax of the event. Some of my many predictions may not come to public knowledge on the very day on which they see fulfilment, but the reasons for this are obvious.

In my *Hiller's Last Year of Power* I have discovered an error which must have occurred in dictation and which was overlooked in the rush of getting the book printed and published. Some readers might assume that, in the rhetorical question which I posed on page 173 about June 11, that I was actually predicting the Führer's death on that day. It will readily be understood that I would in no circumstances care to predict the exact date of any person's death.

In conclusion I wish to thank all those of my numerous readers who were kind enough to write to me giving their impressions of *Hiller's Last Year of Power*, and conveying to me that it brought them hope in dark days. I am specially gratified that this book has not only thrown light on the political situation but has also fulfilled its real purpose of confirming belief in justice and Universal Law.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS: 1940 - 1941

1940

FEBRUARY

UNIVERSAL.—The new Moon of February 8th, accompanied by important aspects and falling upon significant points in many of the horoscopes of countries and of statesmen, show that this is a month of great importance. Unforeseen events and surprising changes are to be expected about the middle of the month. There will be conflicts, struggles for power, dissension within parties; it will be critical for governments and for those in power. (February 7th, Sun square Uranus.)

February 11th, Mars conjunction Saturn: mishaps, crimes, assassinations, struggles for power.

February 14th and 15th, the transiting Moon in Taurus brings into effect numerous aspects in nearly all the horoscopes which I have examined, thus we must count on important world events around these days.

February 17th and 18th, Mars square Pluto: warlike happenings; brutal will to destruction of the dictators in the conduct of the war; new violations of international law; destruction of human lives and property; economic disasters.

ENGLAND'S WAR HOROSCOPE.—Prenatal Moon square to Mars: difficult situations to overcome; decisive struggles; differences of opinion in the Cabinet and among the Allied Powers; danger of invasion of neighbour states by the dictators at war.

About February 5th Jupiter conjunction the radical Jupiter: successful undertakings of a political and military character.

About February 9th, Mars square the radical Mars: struggles, mighty efforts to bring about a decision.

February 17th and 18th, Mars conjunction Saturn.

February 20th, Mars square Pluto.

A danger point of the war has been reached. The warlike events which have been put under the heading 'Universal' are also mirrored in the English War Horoscope. Defeats and losses should not discourage us; we should concentrate all our forces, and neither act hastily nor be taken by surprise. Too much score should not be laid upon the events of these days in considering the certainty of final victory.

KING GEORGE VI.—Various transits mirror serious events, but the Jupiter trine the radical Jupiter of about February 14th indicates an increase of prestige through some governmental changes, which have become necessary and changes in the methods of conducting the war.

MR. CHURCHILL.—Middle of the month, Jupiter trine Sun and sextile Saturn: prestige gained; his war methods are justified.

LORD HALIFAX.—February 14th and 15th, Saturn conjunction Sun: serious crisis; loss of prestige.

MR. HORE BELISHA.—Middle of February, Jupiter quincunx Uranus: dangerous situation; impulsive actions cause tension and bring losses. (Critical period started in January.)

FRENCH REPUBLIC.—February 10th and 11th, Jupiter square Moon: critical for the government and its conduct of the war; unrest among the people.

About February 13th, Jupiter opposition Mercury: critical news about relationships with neighbour states or through the invasion of neighbour states; disunity in home affairs; possibility of changes within the government.

About February 13th, Saturn trine the progressive Saturn: changes and systematic new measures fortify the position of the government.

About February 22nd, Saturn square Mars: disturbing news about the war situation; warlike events will be felt by the nation to be fateful blows.

FRENCH WAR HOROSCOPE.—About February 5th, Jupiter conjunction the radical Jupiter : successes ; advantages all round ; territorial gains.

About February 9th, Mars square the radical Mars : tension at home and abroad ; critical for the government ; misfortune for and through neighbour states.

February 17th and 18th, Mars conjunction Saturn.

About February 20th, Mars square Pluto.

These same aspects also figure in the English War Horoscope and are discussed there. Events of the greatest bearing in themselves are to be expected, but the fateful blows which now fall should not be thrown too heavily into the scales in considering the final victory.

PRESIDENT LEBRUN.—About February 20th, Jupiter opposition Venus : tension ; separations from partnerships.

M. DALADIER.—Second half of the month, Neptune conjunction Uranus : intrigue among colleagues which endangers his position.

GERMANY I (THE OLD EMPIRE).—February 12th—14th, Mars square Mercury and the Sun : violent attacks ; diplomatic manœuvres ; struggles for power.

About February 20th, Saturn square Mercury ; critical relations with foreign countries ; breaking of treaties ; errors and painful consequences.

GERMANY II (THE REPUBLIC).—The new Moon of February 8th falls on the Ascendant and on the Uranus of the German Republic : great events to come cast their shadows ; revolutionary movements are noticeable.

Mid-February, a series of good Jupiter and Mars transits allow us to conclude that there will be successful undertakings and that prestige will be gained. Great activities ; new alliances and increase in power.

GERMANY III (THE THIRD REICH).—February 8th—13th, Jupiter sextile Saturn : successful undertakings establish confidence in the government ; expansions.

About February 21st, Jupiter sextile Sun: passing successes cause temporary waves of enthusiasm.

About February 23rd—28th, Mars square Mercury and Saturn: attacks and retrogressions.

GERMAN WAR HOROSCOPE.—February 13th, Mars conjunction Saturn.

February 17th—21st, Mars opposition Sun and square Pluto: attacks, assaults and invasion of neighbour states; crimes, brutality and acts of violence.

HITLER.—About February 3rd, Saturn conjunction Mercury: absurd demands; pressure on neighbour states; worth noting differences of opinion with leaders under him.

About February 4th, Jupiter square Moon: violation of international rights, efforts towards expansion which disclose the weakness of his position.

About February 12th, Jupiter square the radical Jupiter: as for February 4th, measures which are a mockery of justice; foreign statesmen denounced; untrue accusations; violation of neutrality laws.

About February 18th, Mars conjunction Sun: adventurous enterprises and hazardous undertakings.

GÖRING.—About February 18th, Mars trine Mercury: comes much more into the open; sensational speeches and public pronouncements.

About February 20th and 21st, Jupiter conjunction Mars: ruthless but decisive action in home and foreign affairs; unrest in religious circles suppressed by Göring.

GERMANY IV.—(*Dr. Brüning, one of the leaders of the coming Germany.*)—February 5th—7th, Jupiter opposition Uranus and square Saturn: significant events for Brüning's future: serious inward decisions.

The New Moon of February 8 falls on Brüning's Zenith: comes forward into the public eye; long years of hope now promise realisation.

MUSSOLINI.—Especially during the first half of the month, favourable Jupiter transits allow us to conclude that

there will be a successful drive for expansion, significant actions and friendly understanding with foreign powers. Strengthened position; increase of power; prestige gained.

February 25th and 26th, Mars square Mercury and Sun: Mussolini's foregoing expansion brings him into conflict with other powers; tension because of exaggerated demands.

AUSTRIA.—About February 2nd, Dragon's Head trine Uranus: secret co-operation among circles struggling for the restoration of the monarchy; surprising consequences.

About February 18th, Mars conjunction Ascendant and trine Mars: the warlike events of this period promote the struggle for freedom.

About February 26th, Saturn trine Saturn: systematic undertakings by responsible leaders; a new period in the life of Austria is reached.

OTTO VON HABSBURG.—During the first half of the month, Jupiter passes the Descendant: comes out strongly into public notice.

About February 6th, Saturn square Neptune: passing difficulties; tension with co-workers; slander and secret enemies.

About February 29th, Jupiter sextile Uranus: new contacts; his influence grows both in his own country and in the world.

THE CZECHO-SLOVAKIAN REPUBLIC.—About February 2nd, Dragon's Head trine Uranus: as with Austria and other countries, signs of changes that are being prepared.

About February 11th—16th, Saturn and Mars trine the radical Saturn: Czech resistance grows ever more definite and more open; coming leaders gradually gain power.

About February 25th and 26th, Saturn opposition Venus; critical days; difficult decisions; heavy pressure exerted on the people by their enemies in the state.

About February 29th, Saturn trine the progressive Saturn: courage unbroken; stronger resistance; immense confidence.

DR. BENES.—At the beginning of the month, Dragon's

Head trine Ascendant: successes through speeches and public pronouncements.

About February 7th, Jupiter sextile Sun: significant advancement of his aims; recognition, honours.

February 9th and 10th, Saturn trine Saturn: important decisions; energetic action; his influence in his country is being restored.

About February 18th, Mars square Jupiter: agitation over the successes of opponents and their brutality; fight for the right.

POLAND.—About February 2nd, Dragon's Head trine Uranus: increasing signs of approaching freedom. Jupiter square Pluto at the beginning of the month may bring acts of Nazi violence, but the Saturn trine Saturn of February 25th and 26th will see Poland struggling for her rebirth, whether the public know about it or not.

THE POLISH-GERMAN WAR.—About February 6th, Jupiter conjunction the radical Jupiter: attempts by the Nazis to end the war through a restoration of Poland.

About February 18th, Mars conjunction Saturn: the war-like events of this period are mirrored here again; Poland also suffers passing loss.

SOVIET RUSSIA.—February 3rd—5th, Jupiter sextile Jupiter and trine the progressive Sun: drive for expansion; strengthening of power; important agreements with other countries.

February 17th—20th, Jupiter sextile Jupiter radical and Mars trine Venus and the radical Mars: enterprises which will be greatly discussed all over the world; great activity; aspiration to conquer territory; neighbours must be on their guard.

STALIN.—February 9th and 10th, Neptune trine Pluto: secret machinations; new acts of violence will be contemplated.

About February 18th, Jupiter conjunction Saturn: one of the most important decisions of Stalin's career; one-time

ideals will be further sacrificed to Russian imperialism. Even if Fascism and Bolshevism together threaten Democracy, they cannot kill the truth and only make their downfall more certain.

About February 26th, Jupiter square Sun : not everything goes according to plan ; unlawful acts meet with resistance ; secret enmities ; new secret executions ?

KING CAROL.—The New Moon of February 8th falls on the Descendant : important changes.

About February 15th, Jupiter opposition Mars : Rumania and other neighbour states are in danger ; grave decisions ; conflicts and struggles.

About February 18th—20th, Jupiter quincunx Mercury-Uranus : in such times it is difficult to retain belief in the good ; accusations on the part of the aggressors ; treason and breaking of treaties ; uproar in the country.

About February 18th, Mars trine Moon : energetic action ; determination to fight ; undertakings are chiefly crowned with success.

ADMIRAL HORTHY.—Beginning of the month, Dragon's Head trine the mid-Heaven : success through negotiation ; treaties. But Neptune in the meantime passes over the Ascendant : continuous apprehension about threatening disaster ; not all under him are worthy of confidence ; treason ; gradual break-up of alliances.

About February 25th, Jupiter conjunction Jupiter : help from other powers ; Horthy is openly honoured ; fortunate time for the people and for the government.

GENERAL FRANCO.—The New Moon of February 8th falls on the nadir : important weeks for Spain ; notable transformations.

About February 24th, Jupiter opposition Saturn : differences of opinion ; separation from friends ; anxiety over the position in world affairs ; indecision.

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT.—This great American democrat will be like a light shining over the darkness in

Europe. During this period, Uranus passes a trine to itself : surprising steps to clear up the situation; flashes of inspiration.

About February 1st, Jupiter sextile Venus : peace endeavours ; increase of popularity.

February 21st and 22nd, Saturn sextile Mercury : serious warnings ; tireless activity for the deliverance of Europe.

February 25th and 26th, Jupiter sextile Sun, in addition to critical Mars transits : alarm because of serious news from Europe. Undertakings dictated by a mind of rare nobility are happily received the world over.

M A R C H

UNIVERSAL.—During this month, the aspects round about the 26th are outstanding, while those about the 16th are also interesting, since they are preliminaries to the vital events of the 26th.

March 14th and 15th, Sun opposition Neptune and conjunction Mercury.

About March 16th, Mercury opposition Neptune : important announcements ; we hear of treacherous goings-on ; deceitful manoeuvres ; secret conspiracies for the downfall of the dictators ; critical for the lives of leading men ; unrest ; acts of sabotage ; political actions which border on criminality ; specially critical for ships ; losses.

March 16th, Mars conjunction Uranus in Taurus : disasters of all kinds with economic disasters predominating. German finances especially go towards catastrophe. We hear of grave struggles, revolt and party splits. Unrest in many states grows and an explosion is not far off.

March 26th, Saturn square Pluto : one of the most critical aspects of the year. This influence will not be limited to a short time only, it creates new situations and will point the way over a long period. Black days for the Third Reich. We hear of betrayals, uproar, assassinations, crimes and disasters of all kinds ; critical for the government and for the lives of leading politicians ; sensational events ; the position of world affairs is transformed overnight.

HOROSCOPE OF THE ANGLO-GERMAN WAR.—About March 16th, Saturn conjunction Moon : defeats for the Nazis ; effectiveness of the blockade ; grave days for the German people and for the countries enslaved by Hitler ; general depression over Europe.

About March 20th, important Mars transits : successful undertakings ; progress of the Allies ; disagreeable surprises for the Nazis.

About March 27th, 28th, Saturn conjunction Saturn : Sun conjunction Jupiter : a fateful aspect for the war. The Nazis have to pay the price for having frivolously started an European conflict. We hear of tragic happenings and great distress in Nazi Germany ; sensational events have great bearing on the continuation of the war. At the same time, a ray of hope for Europe and recognition of Allied war leadership. Hitler's neighbours must be on their guard. Their confidence that an Allied victory means victory for the right grows.

M.R. CHAMBERLAIN.—About March 7th, Jupiter, square Uranus : attacks, crises, failure of undertakings.

About March 17th, Jupiter trine Mars : brilliant successes ; excellent understanding with colleagues ; promising decisions in foreign affairs ; initiative.

About March 19th, Jupiter conjunction Neptune : diplomatic moves ; secret agreements ; hopes of peace.

About March 20th, Mars conjunction Moon : loss makes the people restless ; great activity.

About March 23rd, Jupiter trine Saturn : everything goes well ; excellent results will be achieved during these days ; Chamberlain's policy not only proves itself humane but also as the sole policy which could be spoken of as successful in the given situation. (This aspect is related in the events in Nazi Germany of March 26th.)

M.R. CHURCHILL.—About March 15th, Jupiter trine Uranus : recognition of distinguished achievements ; flashes of inspiration ; belief in the final victory.

Second half of the month, Jupiter opposition Mars : the most significant events of this time cause differences of

opinion ; tension with partners ; the First Lord is in his element.

LORD HALIFAX.—About March 31st, Saturn conjunction Saturn : doubts and opposition ; serious considerations caused by the grave situation.

M R . H O R E B E L I S H A .—Middle of the month, Jupiter trine Moon : excellent progress ; prestige gained.

End of the month, Uranus quincunx Venus : political surprises which lead to tension with colleagues.

End of the month until the beginning of April, Jupiter opposition Venus : passing differences with colleagues ; disagreement about future steps.

F R E N C H R E P U B L I C .—About March 24th, Neptune square Jupiter : secret machinations ; conspiracy against leading personalities ; disappointments in foreign affairs.

About March 26th, Jupiter trine Venus : breath of relief because of the news from Nazi Germany ; important agreements ; fortunate alliances with foreign powers ; hopes of peace.

F R A N C O - G E R M A N W A R H O R O S C O P E .—M a r c h 20th—24th, strong Mars transits : initiative ; successful attacks ; unrest in home affairs ; revolutionary movements.

March 27th and 28th, Saturn conjunction Saturn : one of the most serious decisions of the war has to be made ; critical days for the conduct of the war.

M . D A L A D I E R .—Middle of the month, Neptune conjunction Uranus : important changes amongst colleagues.

March 23rd—24th, Mars trine Uranus : brilliant enterprises ; surprising events. (This aspect is related to events in Nazi Germany of March 26th.)

GERMANY I (THE OLD EMPIRE).—March 10th—11th, Neptune square Moon : secret conspiracy ; unity of the Greater Reich dissolves ; apparent deterioration ; chaotic relationships in the Reich ; neighbour states try to break away.

About March 13th, Mars conjunction Pluto ; heavy fights and losses.

About March 23rd, Jupiter sextile the radical Jupiter : successful drive for expansion ; help from abroad ; prospects are promising for agreements.

GERMANY II (THE REPUBLIC).—About March 12th, Mars opposition Sun : critical for the Nazi government; differences of opinion ; daring undertakings ; dangerous for the lives of high personages.

About March 17th, Jupiter square the radical Jupiter : split in the Nazi government ; accusations from both sides ; untimely drive for expansion ; struggle for freedom by the people ; decrees, laws and judgments which create unrest among the people.

About March 23rd, Mars square Uranus : struggles for power ; splits ; assassinations ; revolts ; conflict between the Army and the government party ; general disquiet.

About March 28th, Mars square Saturn : revolt against the government ; uprisings ; struggles against the tyranny of dictatorship ; downfall and assassination of leading personalities.

End of March and beginning of April, Uranus trine Moon (exact April 2nd) : sudden swing over among the people ; unexpected changes ; transformations within the government ; revolutionary movements in states suppressed by Hitler ; favourable for "enemies of the state" interned by Hitler ; changes within the governing party ; new men and parties begin to be talked about.

End of March and beginning of April, Jupiter square Moon (exact April 2nd) : sections of the people are disagreeably surprised by the events of these days ; new laws ; arrests ; general disorder ; oppressed people struggle for their liberty.

GERMANY III (THE THIRD REICH).—March 17th —21st, Mars trine Mars, Venus and Jupiter: great activity ; relationship between Army circles and foreign countries ; new agreements that are worth noting.

About March 31st, Uranus trine Mars.

End of March and beginning of April, Jupiter conjunction Uranus (exact April 3rd): surprising transformation in the government; contact with other powers; splits in the Nazi Party; growing opposition; revolutionary movements in all parts of the Reich; "*kulturkämpfe*"; completely new situation; the Army takes over the leadership of the Reich openly more than ever before; new winds blow over the Third Reich.

HOROSCOPE OF THE GERMAN ARMY PARTY.—About March 15th, Saturn conjunction Uranus: decisive changes among the body of German officers; critical for a certain number of leading soldiers; conflict between the Army Party and Nazis.

Towards the end of the month, Jupiter is in trine to the Moon: the Army can win the favour of the people through their initiative; the enslaved masses will see in the Army the saviour of tradition, and especially of the culture that has been lost. (This aspect is related to the events in Germany of March 26th.)

HITLER.—Beginning of the month, Dragon's Head conjunction Ascendant: contacts create the feeling of invincibility.

About March 7th, Jupiter trine Saturn: successes which military subordinates take advantage of; attempts to fortify his position through explanations to neighbours; he convinces himself of final victory.

About March 7th, Mars square Saturn: attacks; resistance; spasms of fury.

About March 12th, Mars conjunction Mars and Venus: strong activity; tension; drive for destruction.

Middle of March, Pluto square Sun: Hitler over-estimates his strength and this brings about his downfall.

March 14th—17th, Mars conjunction cusp of eighth house, quincunx Uranus: bad signs; catastrophic moods; unforeseen enmities and losses; danger to his life.

About March 26th, Jupiter opposition the progressive Uranus.

About April 2nd, Jupiter opposition the radical Uranus;

tension between the Party and the Army ; separation from colleagues ; unrest among the people ; revolt ; becomes aware of secret enemies ; friends show their true faces ; sudden undertakings through which everything goes wrong ; critical for speeches and travel ; danger of assassination. The absurdity of Hitler's calculations now become openly revealed. Even through new betrayals and through a repetition of June 30th, 1934, (Roehm Revolt and Purge) he can no longer secure his shaky position. One after the other they turn away from him and those who do not leave of their own accord have to sacrifice their lives.

About March 26th, 27th, Saturn conjunction Sun (a repetition of this aspect of the beginning of September 1939) : the consequences of this war start to show themselves with Hitler personally ; loss of possession which means loss of power ; the suppression of neighbour states and the robbery of foreign property cannot prevent his dreadful end ; encirclement ; Hitler will be isolated both at home and abroad.

About March 27th, Uranus conjunction the cusp of the eighth house and quincunx Uranus : catastrophic moods ; unpleasant surprises ; break with old connections ; dismissal of friends ; revolts ; danger to life.

GÖRING.—About March 4th, Jupiter opposition Saturn : relations with his "well-beloved" *Führer* leave much to be desired ; he feels himself frustrated ; vexation ; mistrust ; the motives for coming actions will be fixed ; the public grumble ; Göring, the moderate, knows how to turn this to his own advantage.

About March 22nd, Jupiter conjunction Jupiter : powerful drive for expansion ; great undertakings established or planned ; relations with foreign countries that are promising ; new brilliance ; immense popularity.

March 26th—29th, Mars conjunction Descendant, opposition Ascendant : struggles with partners ; separations ; initiative.

End of March and beginning of April (exact 3rd—4th), Saturn trine Mercury : establishing of power ; Göring strives for the Chancellorship and forces Hitler into the background ;

triumph of reason ; the economic position is now considered soberly ; older experts will replace the Party big-wigs ; significant speeches and decrees.

RIBBENTROP.—March 24th—25th, Saturn opposition Sun : the Bismarck of the Third Reich is at his end. He has to pay the price for starting this war.

End of March and beginning of April, Pluto square Sun : inglorious actions ; danger to life ; suicidal tendencies.

GERMANY IV. (BRÜNING).—About March 24th, Neptune trine Neptune : Brüning and the other Germans feel a new spirit and feel that the fetters are dropping off the fatherland.

VON PAPEN.—In the middle of March, Jupiter trine the progressive Mercury : important journeys and negotiations ; diplomatic steps of great significance are contemplated.

About March 24th, Saturn conjunction Moon : serious events ; tension between Papen and Hitler ; adventurous enterprises which do not go according to plan.

March 25th—27th, Mars conjunction Mars and Pluto : initiative ; risks ; struggles.

End of March and beginning of April, Pluto square Moon : reckless actions bring him into danger ; struggle for new power ; critical situation for the German people.

MUSSOLINI.—About March 3rd, Uranus sextile Jupiter : important political actions ; significant changes ; decisions which cause a sensation.

About March 6th, Jupiter sextile Moon : successful striving after expansion ; good understanding with other powers ; prestige gained.

About March 29th, Jupiter square the radical Jupiter : complicated situation ; successes are offset by disappointments ; unsympathetic allegations ; slanders ; we may talk even of treason.

SOVIET RUSSIA.—About March 10th, Jupiter trine Saturn : significant agreements with other powers ; stabilisation of power ; fulfilment in respect of the policy of expansion.

End of March and beginning of April, Uranus square Uranus : sudden break with neighbours ; unforeseen events ; change of course ; revolutionary movements ; critical for the "old guard" among the Bolsheviks ; unexpectedly fateful blows. Events inside Germany bring about a completely new situation.

End of March, beginning of April (exact April 3rd), Jupiter sextile Uranus : political moves ; significant reforms which have become necessary ; change for the better.

S T A L I N.—March 14th—15th, Uranus quincunx Mercury : diplomatic skill ; sudden change of course ; dangerous deviations and results.

March 25th—27th, Mars conjunction Pluto and opposition Venus : stirring events ; dangerous situation ; unrest among the people.

March 30th—31st, Jupiter trine Mercury : important agreements ; successful diplomatic activity.

A U S T R I A.—About March 16th, Mars opposition Sun : struggle against authority ; daring undertakings and tragic results.

About March 17th, Jupiter square the radical Jupiter : unrest among the people ; struggle for freedom ; arrests ; many things forbidden ; unjust decrees ; death of leading persons.

About March 23rd, Mars square Uranus : open fighting ; the people can no longer be controlled ; critical days for the Nazis ; events which arouse the people.

About March 25th, Uranus opposition Sun : uproar ; revolt against the oppressor ; assassinations ; death of higher personages ; completely new situation for Austria.

March 26th—28th, Saturn conjunction the Ascendant, sextile Moon and trine Mars : beginning of a new page in history ; the whole world expresses its sympathy for the courage of the Austrian people and their readiness to fight new attempts to suppress them miscarry.

March 28th—29th, Mars square Saturn : struggle against tyranny ; crimes ; assassinations ; acts of violence of all kinds but the right will prevail.

OTTO VON HABSBURG.—About March 22nd, Saturn square Uranus : he is shaken by the events in his country ; differences of opinion ; decisions of importance for his whole life.

About March 27th, Uranus quincunx Mercury : surprising announcements ; sudden change in his life ; sensational public pronouncements by him and about him.

End of March and beginning of April, Jupiter trine Mercury and Jupiter (exact 2nd—4th April) : public success ; brilliant alliances or contacts ; growth of power ; important journeys in foreign countries ; help through foreign countries ; hopes long held are nearing fulfilment ; Otto sees the day come when he will return to his country as ruler.

CZECHO-SLOVAKIA.—March 15th—17th, Jupiter square Jupiter : struggle for freedom, many things forbidden and arrests.

March 22nd—27th, critical Mars transits : revolutionary currents ; serious days for the Czech people ; decisions of great significance.

End of March and beginning of April, Jupiter trine Mars (exact April 2nd) : heroic struggle for freedom ; help through foreign countries ; inspiration through a victory won.

DR. BENES.—Middle of March, Neptune conjunction Uranus : secret undertakings ; conspiracies.

End of the month, Uranus sextile Venus : sudden ray of light ; political circles with different aims unite to form a new Czech state.

POLAND.—End of the month, Saturn trine Mars : Poland is also the scene of a struggle for freedom ; all forces combine to shake off the Nazi tyranny ; resistance is now organised and the Nazis will struggle against it in vain.

APRIL

UNIVERSAL.—During this month, a harmonious relationship between Jupiter and Uranus is outstanding. This

will be exact on April 3rd. The early days of April will bring a series of significant changes in Europe, connected with events in March. Forecasts for April in regard to countries and leading persons have been mentioned in the March section can be found under the headings for that month. We will hear of successful revolts and important reforms which will come about in different countries. Belief in justice increases the world over.

During this month also occurs Hitler's last birthday. The new Moon of April 7th falls on an opposition to Hitler's Uranus. Revolutionary movements which started at the end of March find Hitler sitting on a barrel of dynamite ; he will not know who is against him during the days to come, and no-one will know who is next to be shot. Hitler wanted to create order and calm in Germany, but he leaves it in a greater chaos than in which he took it over.

The New Moon of April 7th falls on the Uranus of the Third Reich : "*Deutschland erwache*"! This was Hitler's battle cry before his seizure of power. Now Germany awakes from Hitler's spell. About the same time as Hitler's birthday (April 20th), the transiting Jupiter in the horoscope of the German Republic stands sextile to Uranus. Germany's movement towards freedom makes great progress in all parts of the Reich. We hear of changes among leading politicians and of the formation of new parties. There will also be changes inside the Cabinet which encourage the people to shake off long and patiently tolerated oppression. It is obviously impossible to discuss in detail the numerous aspects for every month affecting all the countries and persons mentioned up to now, because time and space do not permit this. It is only possible therefore in the following to give a summary of those aspects and their general effects on the world, with the occasional mention of their effect upon a person.

During this month, for example, we have to mention a critical Mars-Uranus aspect (referred to in my *Hitler's Last Year of Power*), which repeats itself in the horoscope of Rudolf Hess. The effect of this transit was last shown when Hess was reported dead after the Munich Bomb Explosion. Its repetition takes place about April 11th. Shortly before

(on April 6th), the transiting Jupiter in Hess' horoscope was in opposition to Saturn: he has to fight against enmity; opponents, among them Göring, will attempt to get him out of the way before he can occupy the position that Hitler has in view for him.

M A Y

UNIVERSAL.—This month brings settlement for the Nazis and a ray of light for those who believe in the triumph of justice. Europe will definitely move towards peace.

The New Moon of May 7th falls exactly on Hitler's Mars and on other notable aspects in the horoscopes of nearly all countries and leading politicians. It is the beginning of a new epoch.

About May 5th, Mercury is in conjunction with Jupiter: a happy aspect for peace negotiations and understanding between the nations.

About May 6th, Mars square Neptune: secret conspiracies; attempts on the lives of leading personalities and chaotic conditions, especially inside Germany.

About May 19th, one of the most important aspects of the year comes into effect: Jupiter square Neptune. We hear of anarchistic conditions prevailing in Europe, especially within the countries enslaved by Hitler.

Struggles among the Nazi leaders; splits in the party; signs of civil war; dangers of inflation; economic disasters.

About May 25th, a rare aspect makes its influence felt in the world, Uranus trine Neptune. It will be effective throughout the year, but specially about May 25th and October 1st, for it is then exact. Those who have a sense for the higher life will be able to gain inspiration from the cosmic influences now prevailing. The hands of the clock have pointed quite long enough to the hour of barbarism and tyranny, and now move forward to point to the hour of peace and liberty for the suppressed people. In the material world we can thank this aspect for a complete change in every direction during 1940. The people will unite to throw off their oppressor and

build a new world. The European nations will take an immense step forward. In political affairs, the foundation stone of a federation of European nations will be laid. In science, there will be great discoveries, the arts will be revolutionized. Since this marvellous aspect takes place in earthy signs, we shall see the beginning of a new social and world order. The economic system also undergoes revolution. Voices are raised for reformation in monetary matters (Taurus). We shall have to thank this aspect if the chaos in Europe during 1940-41 is transformed into cosmos. The influence of these rare vibrations will be specially powerful about May 1st, 1941. We will look back on the war times of 1939-40 as though it were a nightmare. Those who can welcome the spiritual essence of this cosmic power, will themselves have reached a point of change in their lives.

N.B.—The important aspects of this month have been mentioned in numerous chapters. Readers interested might find it worth while making comparisons of the dates in May referred to in other chapters with the remarks in this section.

J U N E

UNIVERSAL.—The principal events of this month will take place under the Mars parallel Pluto of about the 11th: news of revolt; assassinations; shootings; struggles for power; party disputes; dissension; surprising changes in government quarters; critical financial situation in many countries.

About June 22nd, the Jupiter parallel Saturn is of great significance. The days following will bring governmental crises as a result of serious financial situations: unpopular measures (necessary decrees) will be introduced in many countries; bad days for the Stock Exchange; *kultatkämpfe*; leading statesmen suffer loss of prestige.

MR. CHAMBERLAIN.—June 11th—12th, important Mars and Mercury transits: fresh surprises; revolts and conspiracies come to light; flashes of inspiration; spontaneous actions; passing tension with colleagues.

About June 17th, Jupiter conjunction the progressive Jupiter : Chamberlain's policy triumphs again ; good understanding with other powers ; progress along the path towards a new Europe.

THE GERMAN REICH.—The new Moon of June 6th falls on the Ascendant and is in conjunction with Jupiter : the old Germany again wins during the weeks to come; a new spirit prevails in the Wilhelmstrasse ; peaceful understanding with other powers.

About June 5th, Saturn trine Saturn : the men expelled by Hitler are at work to rebuild Germany ; they establish their power and are at pains to create harmony and order in a disturbed Germany.

N.B.—About June 11th is one of the most important dates of the year, and has frequently been mentioned throughout the book especially in dealing with the Third Reich, Hitler, Göring, Versailles, Czecho-Slovakia, etc. Remarkable aspects will also be in operation about June 3rd and 4th, especially in regard to Germany and her leaders.

JULY

UNIVERSAL.—About July 6th, Mars parallel Pluto : stirring events ; struggles for power ; danger to the lives of leading statesmen ; chaotic conditions threaten to break out in many countries (in the sign Leo : even France is threatened with unrest).

About July 19th, Mars parallel Uranus : as for July 6th ; struggles in home affairs ; signs of civil war.

About July 23rd, Mars square Jupiter. About July 25th, Mars square Saturn : days full of tension ; lawlessness ; *kultatkämpfe* ; differences between countries ; downfall of leading statesmen ; revolts ; assassinations ; catastrophic economic and financial conditions.

July 25th, 28th and 29th bring aspects which provoke tension, especially in the Third Reich.

AUGUST

UNIVERSAL.—About August 8th, 1940, the most important aspect of this generation will become exact: Jupiter conjunction Saturn. Its effect will be felt from July 1940 until March 1941. Within this period, this aspect will be exactly twice more—about October 20th, 1940 and about February 15th, 1941. This war against Hitlerism will not only be a prelude to what we are going to experience while this influence prevails. Generally this aspect brings troublesome wars, catastrophes of nature, epidemics, misfortunes to ships and other tragic happenings. From a synthesis gained by the study of numerous horoscopes I incline to the opinion that ideological struggles and economic conflict can be expected. The war against Hitlerism has by this time come to an end, but naturally not every European problem will have been settled by this. The greater struggle—the struggle for a new Europe—only starts at that moment, even though it will be a struggle with the weapons of reason. I am far from believing that the murder of fellow-man will end, but war will take on a completely new face, and as a result of this European conflict civil wars will come. Scarcely a country in Europe will be spared unrest within its boundaries and changes in its internal affairs. The main phase of this revolutionary epoch in Europe's history will not be brought to a close before the middle of 1941.

The madness of Hitler's war will strike especially clearly at the conscience of the German people. They will neither be spared the phenomenon of inflation nor other hardships, and they will have a severe lesson to learn for their bold dream of world domination.

The Germans will learn humility while the Allies will once more have their magnanimity put to test.

Fascism, the offspring of Bolshevism, proves that it is not the form of government awaited by the new generation.

Bolshevism itself will come to a lamentable end, because of its Fascist cloak and social revival will come to Europe through those who are Socialists at heart and regard a power-lusting programme as puerile. Socialists of the left

and right who only pay lip-service to Socialism will be replaced by those who will act according to its principles, and it is for the people to contribute towards the real Socialism by recognizing its true leaders.

About August 13th, Mars parallel Saturn and square Uranus : critical for parties and their leaders ; uproars ; assassinations ; crimes.

About August 21st, Mercury square Jupiter and Saturn : political tension ; unpopular laws and measures ; attacks on statesmen ; significant speeches and public pronouncements ; *kulturkämpfe*.

August 27th—28th, Mercury square Uranus, parallel Saturn : sensational news ; surprising changes because of pending actions ; critical for treaties and agreements ; breaking off of relationships, party struggles.

KING GEORGE VI—The Saturn-Jupiter conjunction to which we have referred falls in an opposition to Saturn (mainly effective about August 11th and at the end of that month. August-September.) The King has to overcome a serious crisis ; decisions about the possible changes in the Cabinet.

MR. CHAMBERLAIN.—Beginning of the month, Jupiter trine the progressive Moon : inner satisfaction over the work he has accomplished ; recognition ; increasing popularity.

August 2nd—5th, Jupiter and Saturn in sextile to Venus : crowning of his peace policy ; spiritual contentment ; the world now knows what it has to thank this statesman for ; occasional tendency to retire from public life and contemplate his experiences in peace, above all, his struggles for humanity and civilization.

About August 20th, Jupiter conjunction Pluto.

End of August (August-September), Jupiter square Mars : struggles over the truth ; unjustified attacks on the part of the Opposition ; conflict with arrogant subordinates.

MR. CHURCHILL.—About August 19th, Jupiter square Uranus : tension in the Cabinet, possibly about the peace

aims; disappointments; separations could be avoided.

The New Moon of August 3rd falls on Hitler's Saturn, marking the last stage in his decline and downfall. It also falls in an opposition to the Sun and to Saturn in the horoscope of the Third Reich, thus confirming the tragedy of German Fascism. In Göring's horoscope it falls in a square to Uranus and in a trine to Mars. There are signs of disaster for Göring, but he shows great initiative. He is in danger, but his fighting spirit helps him, even to the point of giving him the chance of strengthening his position.

The aspects during this month are of first-rate importance, and have been frequently mentioned throughout the book, as for example in the chapter entitled "Hitler and Stalin," for those interested in their effects on the U.S.S.R.

O C T O B E R

UNIVERSAL.—In the middle of this month, about October 20th, there is a repetition of the Jupiter-Saturn conjunction which first came into operation about August 8th. On this occasion it falls on the twelfth degree of Taurus and thus is in opposition to the Venus in the horoscope of the German Republic. The third and final effect of this extraordinarily strong aspect will be felt in the middle of February, 1941, and is dealt with under that heading. It is clear that the October 1940 repetition of this aspect mainly concerns the economical situation inside Germany, for the Venus not only rules Saturn and Jupiter in Taurus, but also influences financial affairs in the horoscope of the German Republic. Also, most important of all, the conjunction takes place in the house of finance. We do not wish to reiterate the main things about this famous conjunction which we said in writing about August 1940 (please see under that heading), but we only want to add something to those observations.

It will now be clear to the German people what the

the experiment of Hitlerism has cost them. Rich and poor alike will feel the ruinous effects of seven years of nebulous economics. Hitler has not improved the unfortunate economic situation of Germany caused by the loss of the World War of 1914. Through his experiments he has only postponed the disaster and greatly aggravated things. The realistic economy begun before Hitler by Dr. Brüning could gradually have achieved success, but this was not satisfying enough to the people who had been roused. They wanted to bring about a quick change by means of violent strokes. Thus they fell for the criminal promises of the extremist parties, and thus it was that Hitler's adventurous policy was acclaimed.

It is not only the working classes who have been cheated; not only the middle classes in whose ranks the first voters for Hitler were found and who have since most suffered under him; even capitalism who furnished Hitler with money have been let down by him. Certainly the capitalist classes profited most during the first years of Hitlerism, but "easy come, easy go," but Hitler, despite his vacillations, kept a balance by throwing a tit-bit first to one party and then to another. What he gave to-day he took away the next day. And so all his gains were extremely doubtful and all his successes only apparent successes.

This policy led straight to war, that is to say, to a disaster which is finally going to reveal the true situation. It is possible to hide the real conditions only for a time. The day must come when neither a Dr. Schacht nor a Funck can hide the cruel reality.

The German people lose not only what they have to thank Hitler for, but more than that. The Hitler experiment means the lowering of the standards of living for generations.

Black days have to be expected for banks and for the whole monetary system, and not only in Germany. Signs of inflation, last-minute financial decrees. The whole of the Hitler fraud will be disclosed. The pockets of the masses will be touched, and they will realise who Hitler really was.

(Specially critical days about October 17th—18th for the German Republic.)

NOVEMBER

At the end of November, Uranus, as in June 1940, stands again on 23 of Taurus. During the revolutionary days of November 1918, when the German Republic came into being, it stood on 23 of Aquarius. Uranus now stands square to its position of 1918. It thus becomes clear that everything related to the world of 1918 once again comes into prominence during this period. Things in Europe will go topsy-turvy. This revolutionary metamorphosis takes place in three stages : June 1940, November 1940 and April 1941. For many years I have held this epoch to be one of the greatest revolutionary epochs in European history, and will always be put down as the period of storm and stress of a new Europe.

The governments of many European countries will undergo change, and many forms of state will take on a new face. The square of Uranus to its November 1918 position becomes exact on November 23rd, 1940. It is the second phase in the German Revolution, after the war against Hitlerism has been concluded. Out of the chaos a new Germany gradually takes shape.

In the horoscope of the German Republic, Saturn is square to Neptune about November 29th. We hear of conspiracy and the German government is in danger.

Mars parallel Saturn about the 26th and Mars square Pluto about the 27th bring serious events : struggles for power and danger to the lives of leading personalities.

The Mars parallel Jupiter about the 29th brings important decisions in foreign affairs. The last weeks in November will remain unforgettable.

DECEMBER

Among the important days during this month, the 11th stands out. The transiting Mars stands on 13 of Scorpio and throws up many important aspects in the horoscopes of both countries and statesmen. There are struggles for power and deaths among leading personalities.

About December 16th, Mars passes the Sun in the horoscope of the German Republic: risky undertakings and tragic events.

Christmas 1940 will be as full of hopes and as full of the certitude for the setting up of a new Europe as the Christmas of 1939 was uncertain and full of anxieties and misgivings. Mankind will once again have found peace and a belief in justice and in the laws of God.

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FEBRUARY

We have omitted January because no event of outstanding importance takes place during that month, and no aspect as important as in other months. Nevertheless, the New Year sees steady progress towards the realisation of a new Europe.

The Saturn conjunction Jupiter of August and October, 1940, repeats itself for the third and last time about February 15th, 1941. (Readers interested in the events which take place under this aspect should refer to the August and October 1940 sections.)

It is of special interest that during this month the third repetition of this famous conjunction takes place in 9° of Taurus. It therefore makes a square to Mercury in the horoscope of the German Republic and a square to the Sun in the horoscope of the Third Reich. The situation in Germany has still not settled down. We not only hear of hopeless economic conditions, of strenuous efforts to meet the needs of the times, but also of conspiracy against the government which is now guiding the ship of state. We also hear of *kulturkämpfe* and of new ideas which, after many struggles, become the basis of fresh thought-forms.

Jupiter and Saturn: all mankind comes under their influences and struggles between belief and doubt in a new world. When this aspect comes to an end, we celebrate the birth of a world which has come into being through pain, heavy sacrifices and untold deprivations. Humanity had to make many mistakes, but knows why by the Spring of 1941.

M A R C H

The great Jupiter-Saturn conjunction gradually tails off, but its effects will not be forgotten for many generations and will go down to history as a milestone for the nations of Europe.

About March 9th, Jupiter is in opposition to Venus in the horoscope of the German Republic. About March 26th, 1941, one year after the remarkable changes I have predicted, Saturn for the last time comes into opposition to Venus. Again, as in October 1940 (see that section), we hear of desperate efforts in Germany to retrieve the position which obtains because of the fiasco of Hitlerism. Even still, the secret enemies of the Republic are at work who, taking advantage of chaotic conditions, seek to bring about its downfall and establish the monarchy. But the democracy which has been regained has learned its lessons from the past and will not let either a Kaiser or another Hitler come to power.

The economic and social measures adopted at this time resemble a surgeon's last-minute operation before a man's threatened collapse. Hitlerism was a poison, a medicine which was a palliative but which drove the cause of the disease deeper down. It is hard to see the reality and admit to one's self how sick one really is, but the sooner one does this the sooner can good health be restored.

A P R I L

UNIVERSAL.—From the end of March until the beginning of April, the transiting Uranus again stands in 23° of Taurus and therefore in square to its radical position in the horoscope of the German Republic and in those of different other countries which, because of the Revolution of 1918, received new horoscopes. This is the last transit of this significant aspect which we have to thank for the revolutionary epoch of 1940-41.

It will certainly take another year before the conditions for a new Europe have been settled. The reason for this is

that the transiting Uranus in the horoscopes of both the German Republic and of other countries stands square to Saturn in June and December 1941, and, for the last time, in March 1942—again about the 26th, an exceptional date on which history had been made in 1940. With these three dates we mark three stages in the stabilisation of the conditions which had been created between March 1940 and April 1941.

Uranus and Saturn stand in square (in the German Republic's horoscope), which signifies the new and the progressive (Uranus), and the old and the conservative (Saturn). The victory of the new, especially in respect of economic and social questions, is irresistible, but the task of the old must not be under-estimated. This consists of placing a reasonable limit on all innovations so that extremist experiments are not allowed to create fresh chaos. This period may see the outbreak of struggles for power in different countries; statesmen may disappear through downfall or violent death, but the true revolutionary epoch which completely builds a new Europe will be concluded by April 1941.

April 1941 sees many aspects in the horoscopes of both statesmen and countries, but it is impossible to discuss them in detail here. It is certain, however, that during the Spring of 1941, months of negotiation lead to results which will be of decisive importance to the lives of many European nations. Even during this period, we will not be spared struggles for power and bloody revolts, but the astrologer knows that each sacrifice that has been borne stands in the service of a New European Renaissance.

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